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HEINK, ERNESTINE SCHUMAN

1915

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Excuse my bad english,  
I did my best.

God let you live long,  
long for the world who  
needs you and may you see  
your son our President -

God bless you.

In devotion as ever  
your

Ernestine Schumann Reink

3672 Michigan Avenue. Chicago.  
Ill.



Aug. 5. 1915.

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# I.

a. Precitativo and Trio aus  
Paulus von

Mendelssohn Bartholdy  
b. Wohin. Franz Schubert

# II.

a. Nur wer die Sehnsucht  
kennt.

Ischaikowsky.  
b. Ave Maria. Gounod.  
mit Clavier and Cello.



III.

a. Sapphische Ode.

Johannes Brahms.

b. Strampelchen.

Jugen Hildach

c. Wie ein Trübsen

Ad. Meckers.

Mein Programm.

Besten Grufs

Schumann, Heinrich



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RECEIVED AT 217PM SF F 9 NL

San Diego Cal Dec 31

Mrs Beaby Hearst

~~Hearst~~ Pleasanton Cal

God bless you and yours ~~22~~ with devotion and love

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RECEIVED AT 335PM SF F 55 NL

Los Angeles Cal June 15th

Mrs Phoebe A Hearst

Pleasanton Cal

Thousand thanks you greatest first lady of our country. I leave tomorrow for Chicago 3672 Michigan Avenue I was happy till tonight when a wire came that my son George Washington is sick scarlet fever in hospital God help him and all of us my love and devotion for you ever ever ,

Ernestine Schumann Heinek



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241 PM 10  
 San Diego Cal 946 on Dec 25  
 Mrs Phoebe Heard  
 Pleasanton Cal  
 All Gods blessings for you and yours  
 as ever devotedly  
 Ernestine Schumann



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HEINRICKS, FREIDA H.

1909-14

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Returned  
acct. to me  
exp's  
return  
of all.  
I felt it  
was only right I should  
pay her for a certain  
time as she was  
suddenly out of  
employment.  
I collected from  
her office.

Pa. ck. for bill 41.10  
9/18/09

2329 Buena Vista Ave.  
Alameda.

October, 2<sup>nd</sup> 1909.

My dear Mrs. Hearst,  
I am very sorry  
that I did not see you before leaving  
the Hacienda to say good-bye, and  
also to thank you for your many  
kindnesses to me while I was with  
you. I assure you that I  
appreciate them very much and if  
at any time there is any little  
commission that I can do

for you, it will be a very great  
pleasure for me.

I have enclosed my bill as you  
requested me to.

Trusting that you are quite well  
Yours most sincerely

Frieda J. Henrichs



My dear Mrs. Hearst -

I wish to thank you  
for the kind interest you took  
in my late sorrow, - the loss  
of my dear mother.

Luckily my mother was not  
sick for long and did not  
suffer any.

I liked my position very  
much but had to give it  
up to keep house for my  
old father.

When I get settled I will

try to get a position, where  
I will be needed for a few  
hours daily; such as visiting  
poor ones or else in some  
office.

If it would not be asking  
too much of you, would you  
kindly let me know if  
you should hear of any-  
thing that I could do.

Thanking you again for  
your kind sympathy  
towards me and hoping  
that you and all the  
rest of your family

are quite well. I remain  
very sincerely

Frieda J. Hinrichs

February, 16<sup>th</sup> 1910.

and that the coming year  
may have health and  
pleasures in abundance  
in store for you and once  
more assuring you of my  
sincere appreciation of your  
kindness.

I remain most gratefully

Lieda J. Hinrichs.

Alameda December Twenty -  
Fourth Nineteen Hundred and  
Twelve.

My dear Mrs. Hearst,

Please accept my  
most sincere and heartfelt  
thanks for the beautiful gift  
you sent me for Christmas;  
I not only appreciate your  
kind thought, but also the  
fact that you should not  
forget me after this length  
of time.

Permit me to wish you the  
happiest of Christmas holidays,



My dear Mrs. Hearst,

My brother will  
give a Concert on October thirtieth  
and as he intends to give the  
returns of the same to the Widows  
and orphans of the German and  
Austrian soldiers, I thought I  
would ask you if you would  
kindly buy a few.

Hoping you are quite well

and also your grand children  
I remain  
Very sincerely

Frieda J. Hinrichs  
2329adena Vista Ave.  
Alameda,

Cannot attend  
will send \$10

Alameda, October Twenty fifth Nineteen fourteen.

My dear Mrs. Hearst: -  
I thank you  
very much for your contribution  
and wish to tell you, that my  
brother made Two hundred and  
fifty dollars including your  
check. I also understood the Germans  
have again eighty two thousand  
dollars on hand and will be  
able to send again One hundred  
thousand dollars to Germany  
by Christmas. Thanking you again



for your great kindness I remain  
with best wishes to yourself  
and grandchildren

Very sincerely  
Frieda J. Heinrichs.

November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1914.

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HERON, MARY E. & JAMES

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visit - I know it will  
cheer me very much.

You were in great  
luck if you received  
the box of figs all  
right. That Mr McDonald  
had. I thought I would  
have to take them off  
at our Station to take  
care of them. I must stop  
writing, altho' I'm not half  
through talking - Well -  
you will be spared this  
time -

Falls  
July 8<sup>th</sup> /91

Yours  
Livingly  
Minnie Fern

My darling:

Your welcome  
letter arrived a few  
days ago.


It is Mr Ferns in-  
tention to have us all  
live together. James  
does not care about  
Maggie being with us.  
But she made up  
her mind that she

children. Your kindness to me  
has been more than you can ever  
imagine in this matter alone. It  
is noticed that you look out for my  
interest, and it regulates things  
wonderfully. I can tell you all  
about this when I see you so much  
better than I can write it.  
I am looking forward to your promised

would do it.  
I have told Mr H.  
I never would try to  
live with Maggie a-  
gain. It is right for  
Mr Fern to do for his  
child now when she  
is ill. No difference  
what has gone before.  
He should draw the  
line when it comes to  
Maggie bringing her  
friends and coming  
to me and to my



San Francisco

 August 14<sup>th</sup> 1895

My dear Mrs. Hearst.

Yesterday morning  
I received \$200 from  
Mr. Clark, which  
reduces the \$500 to  
\$300. to July 31<sup>st</sup>.

I wrote you a long  
letter a day or two  
ago. I will only write  
a line to let you know  
the money came all  
right. Thank you

Very much.

Fulissa still comes.  
I suppose you have  
not written her yet.

You know I am so  
much better, that I  
can get on nicely  
myself. My strength  
came back slowly.

You now can know  
what it was to me to  
have her during my  
convalescence.

You are the dearest  
woman in this world

Not only to help me with financially  
but every other way.

And for many sufferings and  
trials to your generous heart.

I have the best time possible  
coming home to me fully rested  
and returned to health.

Very Affectionately  
Marion C. Stevens



time, and I want to  
get Kenneth's application  
in, for any vacancy that  
may occur in Amherst  
Hundred Bro. I am  
quite anxious to have  
him receive his  
appointment at large,  
if possible. He will be  
eighteen years old next  
May. and he is working  
hard to fit himself  
for the examination.

300/ Jackson St.  
San Francisco.  
January 30<sup>th</sup> 1901.

My dear Mr. Hearst:-

Referring to our  
conversation some  
time since, about  
Kenneth's ambition  
to go to the Naval Academy  
at Annapolis.

The President has  
the appointing of so many  
cadets from time to

The widow and son of an ex-Naval  
Officer might receive some consideration.

Thanking you for your kindness,

Yours with affection  
Mary E. Weston.



Dear dear friend,  
Duncan and I en-  
join me in sending our  
best love - and wishing  
you many happy returns  
of your birth day.  
Minnie

Mrs. James Heron

Friday Morning.  
Dear Mr. Heart,  
Of course I should  
not be enough. Lacking in this  
piece for this pair of pillow cases,  
(it may take up in the sewing  
more than I have allowed) -  
please have some one send me  
a line. telling me how much  
it lacks of being sufficient.  
I will not be long

Mrs. James Heron

2400 Pacific Avenue.  
San Francisco.

Dear friend:  
Duncan and I are  
very happy to day. because I have  
just received a telegram from  
Kenneth. - telling me he expects to

Making the required  
length. Many thanks for  
your welcome letter and  
enclosure. Will write  
soon — with love.  
Minnie.

Arrive home about December second.

I have not seen the  
dear boy for nearly five years, and  
Duncan and Kenneth have not  
seen each other for eight years.  
They will have duty at the Union  
Iron Works.

Yours with much love  
November 27th 1911  
Mary Heron.



paper must have slipped  
out. In one of Louise's  
letters she said: When  
she can write a long piece  
she will send it to you.

Hoping you are  
well and enjoying this  
beautiful weather.  
Always with much love.  
Minnie.

April 26<sup>th</sup> 1913.

2400 Pacific Avenue  
San Francisco.

Dear Mrs. Hearst:-

I thank you for  
another box of lovely tulips.

I gave some to the  
old Scotch ladies who  
are in the room adjoining  
mine. They are so

Bright and capable for  
their years. 84 and 82.  
And Mrs. Meane has  
been in bed for four  
years.

Louise is working  
away at writing and has  
had some short pieces  
accepted, one written  
about Abdul Baha,  
(published in a small

Bahai paper in London  
and also in your sister  
paper in London) She  
was complimented by her  
Teacher for beautiful language  
in this piece.

I am sorry I lost  
the paper Louise sent me.  
I had it rolled in  
a Magazine I was bringing  
home and was crowded  
and pushed about so in  
a street car, that the



# Wells Fargo & Company.

JAMES HERON,  
Secretary.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

San Francisco, May 18<sup>th</sup> 1886

Dear Martin.

Yours of the 8<sup>th</sup> arrived here on the 15<sup>th</sup> and I will at once answer your inquiries as to what Maggie said of you. It would naturally seem to you that in her visit here with her husband that I had seen a great deal of her but such was not by any means the case. I was away when she first arrived and met herself and her husband for a moment only at our house in Vallico for as I arrived they were about to depart. Knowing that I had to go away again shortly I brought my family to the Palace Hotel in the City, not only to see as much of them as possible during my stay but to give Maggie an opportunity to see me if she wished to. It was evident all the time that Matamoros did not give her the least chance to see her friends without his presence, but one Sunday he had reason to go to San Rafael or Saucelito to spend the day & did not take her. I was in a Sunday and while my wife went to church I staid at home to keep with



the children, and was surprised by a visit from Elaggie, who said that she had come to spend the day with us and the Cobbs. I immediately ordered lunch, and it was served before my wife returned & all sat down, and were alone together about a half an hour before my wife came. During that time she spoke freely about herself and her affairs and I gathered from what she said that the money question had not gone to suit her and what lead her I suppose to speak of that phase of her affairs was the memory of a promise <sup>entirely unsolicited by me</sup> that she had made to me to help me out of trouble the very first instant she could.

I asked her very pointedly about you, as feeling that she had recently seen you & knowing that she at one time & for many years thought a great deal of you. I thought that her information would be fresh and friendly and of great interest to me for very many reasons. I was surprised to see that she did not catch on, in the spirit of my inquiry and that in fact she cut the subject off in a few words, which were to the effect that you were not at all the same person that we used to know, and while I cannot pretend to remember her exact words, except that she said you were bloated, and

the rest of her remarks left the impression that your habits were such as to cause visible deterioration. The impression did not last long as I did not fail to see that there was some animus. This conversation ~~did not~~ could not have endured many minutes when my wife came in, and joined us at lunch when it then took another channel, and it was not very long before she left to go to Mrs Cobbs room. The whole visit was painful to me as I saw before me a disappointed woman, whose soul was gangrened by envious and bitter thoughts, and although, she was the cause of our being brought together it evidently then and at other times made her very jealous that our marriage had resulted in much happiness to us both. She seemed to resent it and to be impatient at the thought that any woman could be as much to me as my wife, evidently was. She shared it with the children and the oldest immediately took a great dislike to her. As long as I was not present as my wife informed me she acted very differently and I have reason to know since from Henry Purci that when I was married & gone to the mountains on our wedding trip that she



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would cry by the hour and lament her instrumentality in my  
marriage. I have only learned of this lately from him and it elucidates  
much of her strange conduct. I gave her the chance to marry me  
because I felt it to be her due after our long and most friendly  
intimacy, but thank God she did not accept, for much misery  
has been avoided, and two people, my wife & myself, have since  
been very happy because of that refusal. You must remember one  
of her peculiarities, which was to be firmly convinced that  
she could forever enthrall a man, and I don't think she  
ever forgives any one who demonstrates as you and I have done  
that there are more attractive women than she. She knows that  
your friendship for Mr. Hearst will endure forever, as it most certainly  
ought. and she knows also, for my wife has told her, that my admira-  
tion for that noble and most excellent lady amounts almost to reverence  
for in my fifty eight years I have never known any body  
like her. Maggie can't forgive that either in you or myself so  
you can expect <sup>much</sup> disparaging remarks. What she has said about  
me is unqualifiably false, and I shall surely have from her a  
retraction of it. No man, & especially no woman has ever yet  
lost any thing by me and as Mr. Hearst says the day will  
come when my troubles shall vanish. I feel that it must be so

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because I have always and shall forever struggle to do right by  
every body and particularly by my friends. Now as to what makes  
me shy in talking of Maggie. First she's a woman, next I remem-  
ber the time when I was very much attached to her, and when she  
was a very great help to me in bearing very grave domestic troubles  
of which you know. and lastly I remember many years of implicit  
trust in me when as you may say the inmost thoughts of her family  
and herself were in my keeping. Lastly there's a very strong busi-  
ness reason, one of really great weight. You know that she  
and Alice are by all odds the most intimate friends of  
Miss Hattie Crocker, (a most lovely character, who from her  
upward tendency in all things, may some day reach the plane  
where dwells our friend Mr. Hearst.) She has a father and  
a brother in our board, by far its most active and influential  
members, and now there's another brother coming in. Though  
Maggie first, and Miss H next, these men are very friendly  
to me and I want their friendship, for I have ambition, which  
must be satisfied in a out of our Company. They can satisfy it  
in either case. I want a higher place & more salary. I know that



I can earn both and these men being the majority of our quorum  
have my future in their hands. With all friends help I have theirs.  
For change as it may seem to you, she wields great influence over  
these men, not only from their liking for her, but through Miss Hatter  
whose affection for Maggie is intense and always glowing.  
Then again why should I not indulge in hope, fulsome though it  
be, that the day will come when she will carry out her unasked  
promise, and shift me out of all difficulty. I have told you over  
and over again with entire frankness my opinion of Maggie.  
Demi is revealing her as the incarnation of selfishness, still no  
one can make me believe that she is not away down in her  
heart a warm friend of mine and equally so of yours. She has a  
queer way of showing it but you must remember that the woman  
has been almost crazed with trouble and that even now she lives  
a life of constant terror. I shall have her understand that I  
shall never add one hair's weight to her trouble or her terror  
but I shall have her know also what I have heard and  
ask her not to try to justify herself by vilifying Mrs Hearst  
or you or me. On that you can depend, and like "truthful Jamie"  
my language will be plain. Whatever else there is to answer in  
your letter will have attention in a few days. See Valentin in  
the paper question. If he will do it, he can. If he won't I may  
be able to. When do you want to come. I would like exceedingly  
to see you for many hours talk, and I would like best that you should

Don't tell her  
Yours H.  
Hearst is  
be here when Mrs Hearst is -



1878 or '9

[In complete]

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many capitalists would be content with that sort of security though I have in times past borrowed from Cori as a friendly act on his part the face of my policy of 3000, afterwards assigned to my sister. As regards Maggie I wrote you a long time since how cavalierly she treated the whole question of her responsibility, deliberately shirking the whole thing and saying that I was a grand good friend. She is hopelessly mercenary and can be counted on to take every time all that any fool will spend on her & make no return. I will now relate to you how I was made fully aware of all this. You know that M

& I was once most intimate friends.  
 I have made her at odd times a hand,  
 some pile of money which she always  
 drew out & spent. Well, when she was  
 last she left in bank here 2858<sup>20</sup>  
 & I thought I saw an opportunity of  
 making some <sup>money</sup> for her & myself & told her  
 that in consideration of the use of the  
 money I would see that she lost nothing.  
 It is needless to say that every cent was  
 swamped & equally needless to say that  
 Maggie without a word, but by her  
 actions held me to the payment & I  
 have been hard at it ever since her  
 arrival until now I have paid all  
 principal & interest except, 1332<sup>00</sup>

which I am paying off at the rate  
 of 12 dollars a week & unless I get  
 assistance it will take me just 111  
 weeks more to get clear of this head-  
 mill. But for this 12 dollar a week  
 I do not know what she would do  
 as her means are fast being frittered  
 away by following the advice of prom-  
 inent stock men who pretend to be  
 their disinterested friends. Do not un-  
 derstand me as complaining. I com-  
 prehend that I am simply reaping  
 what I have sowed, and I shall  
 keep on in this way until every debt  
 I owe is paid off. I could have  
 avoided all the trouble into which



I have fallen, had I not been blinded to the true character of this woman for I should have felt no inclination to serve her, which in trying to do I have loaded myself down to the guards.

My present wife revealed their dreadfully selfish insincere character to me months ago but I cannot go back easily on my friends & so believed in until my marriage made them all, & particularly show their true nature.

I am still attending to their affairs but propose to give them up soon for with their infernal stock business they invade my office & absorb so much of my time & that of my errand boy that

I am forced to shake them altogether. I have had their business over 5 years & it has always been bothersome & more a <sup>money</sup> lip of a drain on me, They are not at all appreciative like more you do, the more you may do, it is all a matter of course.

The Company's business has so much increased, that with no more help than I had in 1870 I have not the time to do any thing for myself much less such ungrateful mercenary people. The old lady is simply horrible in her miserly manner, Alice has lost all her beauty & in affecting young manners is almost repulsive, while Maggie has not only lost her good looks but has let



herself drift to that extent that she is positively dirty. Long ago I requested her not to come into my office with such a dirty neck & for a time she did better, but has lapsed & gone further into positive untidiness. Mrs. Patten is here & a splendid woman she is. They have dragged her into stocks & there is nothing where she will fetch up.

I tell you all this because I have long been wishing to do so & because I wanted you to understand my position.

I consider that I have five friends in the world, first my wife, second yourself, third my two children, fourth my sister. All these except yourself are

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dependent on me. My salary ~~is~~ <sup>has been</sup> from the 5<sup>th</sup> of February 1877 - \$450 per month. I can easily handle all my indebtedness if you will help me and I earnestly entreat you to do so to the extent I ask you viz: \$3500. With that I ~~shall~~ <sup>should</sup> pay Maggie and get rid of her, for she's worse than was the old man of the sea to Sinbad the sailor, pay seven hundred and fifty ~~that~~ to one man in full, and fifteen hundred in part payment of 2800 to another which will relieve me from annoyance of the most terribly harassing character. If you help me I can do what I want to



& do it in peace. If you do not I must  
struggle along as I am, which is almost  
too sad a fate to bear, but I shall  
bear it & that to the end until I  
can stand once more a free man.

But for the companionship of my wife  
for whom I have nothing but com-  
mendation. I fear that with all my  
strength I could not stand the burden  
that is now mine but with her help  
all is possible. I must now close as  
the day is a dark one & now at 4 is  
getting too dark to write.

Always your friend  
James H. H. H.

LLOYD TEVIS, President, San Francisco.  
JNO. J. VALENTINE, Vice President  
and Gen. Manager, San Francisco.  
JAMES HERON, Secretary, San Francisco.  
H. B. PARSONS, Asst Sec'y, New York.  
H. WADSWORTH, Treasurer, San Francisco.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

Wells, Fargo & Company,

Express and Banking,

San Francisco,

July 1900

mortification that I find myself forced to think of and  
refer to it. I have before me a most kind letter of  
January 3rd from Mrs Hearst which has never been  
noticed in any way. Fortunately she has an inkling  
of the troubles of the last twelve months from Aug-  
-ust last and which have come as near driving  
me crazy as anything could ever do, and being  
naturally indulgent and full of consideration for my  
position so unfortunate in every way I can count  
upon her not to misunderstand and to be constant  
in her friendship through it all. You know of course  
all that happened in my wife's family ending with  
her good mother's death, the breaking up of our  
home and all that. Those things were to be  
looked for, we were prepared and they didn't  
hurt so keenly for that reason. But there was  
another cause which added to all that I was bearing



The Hamletins are still dragging along towards poverty.  
persistently putting into stocks everything they get hold of.  
M is a regular exploiter. Alicia is very mercenary but modest  
& ladylike withal. In any other place than this M's reputation  
would be badly smirched but there seems to be a necessity here  
in Society for some of that kind of women. It is impossible to  
help liking them though their ugly faults are as plain  
to the eye as the Sun.

sermons, our year has been a success. We sincerely hope  
that yours, has, in the main gone to suit you, & that the  
year to come may shower upon you many choice bles-  
sings. That you deserve them all, is the unanimous  
verdict of your very numerous jury of friends, the foreman  
of which is  
Very sincerely yours  
James Heron

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I am myself staggered and dismayed, hardly able to stand it & yet I must to the end. If I could only get her away it would be better, but here she is & here she will stay, and this added to my other spectres, would make life an unbearable weariness, was it not for my wife and children and my unalterable determination to live, and to stand up strong, and fight it through, because of them and of you and Mrs Hearst. I know the road that I must travel. Trouble has severed me from it. I will get back again in due time, & meanwhile I pray you have patience and confidence to the end. My



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Ans. 19-IX-07.

Huntington Park, Cal.,  
Sept. 4 - 1907.

Dear Mrs. Hearst,

As I have completed the High School course I am very anxious to enter college this fall.

Mother's health is so poor that it takes all her income for medical aid and her own comforts. She would have to do without in order to send me to school.

I thought at first that I had rather give up going to college than ask your assistance after all you have done for us. Of course I have profited by all you have done for mother. But for your goodness I would not have been able to take even the High School work. I can find no words to express

my gratitude when I think where we would have been if you had been other than the kind and generous woman that you are. All I am and all I hope to be I owe to you. Had it not been for you mother would not be with us to-day. You cannot realize, Mrs. Hearst, how we feel toward you.

Knowing how interested you are in the education of young people I finally decided to write you. You have given each of my brothers and sisters a certain amount, and I thought if you saw fit to do the same by me I would use part of it in my education.

Until I came to California I was far from strong and lost three whole years from school, but my health here



is very good and I have  
worked hard in order to finish  
the High School in two years.  
Odds were against me for  
schools are much more rough  
here than in Dakota. I succeed-  
ed in making up all back  
work and graduated last June.

As long as you are so near  
we would be glad to have you  
come to see us. Mother would  
be especially pleased. We would  
like to hear from you anyway.

Hoping this will find you  
in the very best of health I am

Sincerely yours,

Rhoda Heart Hill



Ans. 5-11-07.

Huntington Park, Cal.,

Sept. 27-1907.

My dear Mrs. Hearst,

You asked me to let you know of my plans concerning my education. I thank you for your kind interest, and I appreciate your position.

The University of California is the college I had in mind. I would have written you earlier but did not know where you were until I read of your presence at the dedication exercises at Berkeley. I know it was too late to enter this semester, but that I might enter in January.

I realize that going to college is a serious undertaking, requiring much hard work. I am pleased to have your opinion and advice upon the matter.

As far as my health is

concerned, I believe that I am strong enough to stand the strain, but of course that is something about which one cannot be sure.

I am highly recommended in both History and English, and have been advised by my instructors to continue the work in those subjects. I would make one of them my major, thereby fitting myself to become a teacher of the subject, also being prepared in the subjects I take relating to my major.

If there was any likelihood of my marrying I would not consider a college education for a moment, but I expect to have to take care of myself sometime and I would like to be prepared.

Should anything happen to mother, I would be perfectly helpless, for my brothers and



sisters have enough to do to take care of themselves; beside I would not like to be dependent upon them.

While I really value education for its own sake, I would not go to college without a definite aim. A good general education can be obtained in the Public Libraries.

If I had to neglect mother in order to go to college it would be a different matter, but you have provided for mother's comfort and my sister will be here to take care of her. While I want to be with mother I feel that I must make some provision for the future.

I know that you know best, and whatever objections or suggestions you have to make will be gratefully accepted. Mother's general health is

quite good at present, but her eyes give her a great deal of trouble. She unites with me in best wishes for your health and happiness.

Very gratefully yours,  
Thos. H. Hill.



I cannot  
purchase an  
auto for her.  
Send a very  
kind letter but  
say that I cannot.

where it is most need-  
ed.

Mother writes with  
me in wishing you  
health and happiness.

Sincerely yours  
Charles W. Hill.

Ans. 13/5/12.

Huntington Park, Cal.,

June 10. 1912.

Dear Mrs. Hearst,

I wrote you  
some time ago about  
an automobile for mother  
but as I have not heard  
from you I have come  
to the conclusion that  
my letter did not reach  
you. I know how very  
busy you are but, <sup>you</sup> have  
always before found time  
to answer even if it  
were in the negative.



Mother is very much improved but it is hard on her to be confined to the house these days of glorious sunshine. She enjoys getting out so much but she can only walk about the house and we have no comfortable place for her to sit out of doors.

I have investigated the matter and find that even the cheapest machine is more expensive than I supposed. But the least expensive machine on the market is a very good one, giving better service than some of the more costly ones and it costs less to run than

I know that your time is valuable and it is asking a great deal to ask you to write me regarding the matter. I will appreciate any thing you have to say. I know that you devote your time and money to doing good, giving



(the honor of a diploma?  
I will do whatever you  
think best.

Mother is still firm  
in her resolve to spare me  
in spite of the fact that  
she is in a serious condition.  
Her heart is giving her trouble  
and she has asthma very  
badly. She seems very  
weak but Mrs. Bors can  
do for her as well as I.

We are trying to persuade  
her to go to a Sanitarium  
for a couple of months  
but it is hard for her

Get diploma by all means,  
Mathematics one year.

Ans. 31/VII/13.

Huntington Park Cal.  
July 26-1913.

Dear Mrs. Hearst.-

This is Saturday  
-and I am just now  
writing to you but I have  
been very busy, so many  
things to do and so much  
to say.

Found out at the  
University that I can  
enter as a regular student  
but Mrs. Dawson, who  
was in Miss Stubbins' place,



advised me not to do that. She thought that I would find it very hard, for a regular course would include mathematics. That is my weak point. It was very hard for me in High School and after so long a time it would be next to impossible even if I had help. She said to enter as a student at large would be better but I would not get a diploma. I could take anything that I liked, omitting those subjects that I do not care about. If I ever wished to teach I could take the examinations. I might enter as a special student but if I can enter as a regular I may not be allowed to enter as a special. I was given a blank which the principal of the Los Angeles High School must fill out. I would like to know what you think about it. Do you advise me to undertake the regular course or would it be better to enter as a student at large and free?

to make up her mind  
to leave home, though  
it is only a short  
distance from here. It  
is higher and her physician  
thinks that it will help  
her.

We have been looking  
about for a house, but  
if Mother will go to a  
Sanatorium for a while  
it may not be necessary  
for her to make a change.  
She prefers to stay in  
Huntington Park if



possible. We have very good tenants  
for the house if they do leave  
to make a change later. Gene's  
brother and family will rent  
his house and Mrs. Bess will  
look after brother's house while  
she is away, as she will not  
let it until she sees the re-  
sult of her stay at the Sanitarium.

I wish that I might tell  
you all that is in my heart  
but the more you do for me  
the harder it is for me to  
find words to thank you or  
tell you how much I appreciate  
you and you are an angel.

Please remember me to each  
one. I am writing Mrs. Brooks  
to thank her for the good care  
she took of me.

Kiss William and John for  
me. Give my love to Mrs. Anthony  
and Miss Whitmore.

With love and best wishes I  
am.

Sincerely yours,  
Charles H. Hill.

you but do not feel at  
liberty to take any steps  
without consulting you.  
I will talk the matter  
over with Miss Stebbins  
but it is your opinion  
that I want.

Hoping that you are  
well and happy I am  
affectionately,  
Thos Hill.

Nov. 24/13

1629 Euclid Ave.  
Berkeley,

Dear Mrs. Hearst.

I wish that I  
could talk to you instead  
of writing but I can  
not possibly come out  
this week as I have  
nothing ready to wear  
next week, so must do  
some putting in order.  
Then I have two exam-  
inations Monday and  
that means study for



this week has been practically  
lost on account of illness from  
my vaccination (do not tell Mr.  
Goldborough.)

At present I am carrying  
twenty-two hours a week and  
some of my instructors have in-  
formed me that I learn too much.  
I have the seventeen hours requir-  
ed for the regular work and  
five hours of beginning Latin  
aside. I get no credit for the Latin  
but I must have it in order to  
go in my course and this is the  
last year that it will be given so  
it is take it now or never.

If I drop anything I will  
be a special or do not know what  
to do about it. I find I am more  
stupid than I thought I have tried  
very hard, spending every minute  
on my work and I do not seem  
to anything justice.

Please let me know what you  
think about it. I dislike to trouble

Dear Mrs. Hearst.

Seventy-one  
years ago the third  
day of this December  
a home was blessed  
by the arrival of a baby  
girl. The parents were  
delighted, of course, but  
they would have been  
awestricken if they  
could have had a  
glimpse of their baby's  
future. How proud and  
happy if they had

Charles Hill  
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known how many lives were  
to be blessed by that one tiny  
bit of pink and white humanity.

I might go on in this strain  
for a long time because it is  
perfectly wonderful to me that  
one small dainty lady should  
accomplish so many wonderful  
things.

You must be very happy  
this birthday to know that  
so many people are loving  
you, thinking of you and  
wishing you well. May you enjoy  
many more birthdays and may  
each one be brighter and happier  
than the last.

With a heart full of love for  
you and trusting that all the good  
things of this life and the next may  
be yours I am

Lovingly,

Brook Hill.

Tuesday - Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> - 1913.

Phoebe Hill

will not get worse again.

Trusting that you will  
have a delightful time  
and with a heart full  
of love I am

Most lovingly  
Phoebe Hill.

Huntington Park Cal.

July 14-1914.

Dear Mrs. Hensch.

You are probably  
enjoying the beauties  
of Huntington by this  
time. I sincerely hope  
that you are getting  
something of a rest.

I received the check  
for one hundred dollars  
and thank you so much.  
Mrs. Hensch you do so



so much for me that I  
feel that I can not do enough.  
I do so want to be worthy of  
all that you do for me  
and I feel so full of pleasure  
now. Believe me I am more  
grateful than I can tell. I do  
so love you and want to  
please you.

The weather down here is so  
cool and pleasant. I have  
enjoyed my time spent  
sowing. I have four pretty  
and practical dresses, two  
separate skirts, and a waist  
beside numerous smaller  
articles. I have a little repair  
work and then I will be ready  
for college. I shall spend the  
rest of the time studying.

Mother continues to improve.  
She hopes to be able to come  
home early in August. I hope  
by that time we shall have  
real summer weather so she

24 - Olga's  
5 days

Dear Mrs. Hearn.

You mentioned  
my coming to the  
city to a "hat matinee".  
I was so excited at the  
prospect that I forgot  
to tell you when I am  
at liberty.

Sundays, Wednesdays,  
and Fridays I have  
no classes after two  
o'clock in the afternoon.  
Tuesdays and Thursdays



I can have the entire  
afternoon.

College is going very  
nicely this week and I  
am feeling quite elated  
at having passed my  
first examinations.

Sincerely hoping that  
you are well and happy  
I am

Lovingly,

Phoebe N. Hill.

Wednesday Oct. 7-1914.

Please do not work  
too hard. All unite with  
me in sending best  
love.

With kindest regards to  
all and best wishes for  
your health and happiness  
I am

Lovingly,

Phoebe Hill.

June 5 - 1915.

117 W. Jackson St.  
Glendale, Cal.

Dear Mrs. Hearst.

It pleases me  
to tell you that mother  
actually sat up for a  
short time to-day and  
we hope to take her out  
for a ride in a few days.

The new car came  
yesterday and it looked  
as splendid to me as a  
Dodge Hartford. The self-starter  
and lighting system are  
a great luxury. It is  
appreciate them so much



For it is not only difficult but rather dangerous to crank a machine. Mother is so anxious for a ride that she is hard to manage. It does not make her at all nervous and she wouldn't ride in a carriage at all because she was so afraid of horses.

Mrs. Bass is about the same. The doctor says that being able to get out will mean as much to her as to Mother so you see what your gift will be to the family. How can we thank you enough!

I can not realize that I have been at home more than three weeks. Time passes so quickly even when I stay indoors all the time. It will certainly fly when Mother gets able to ride out. Mr. Bass says that we act as if it were a sin to talk about anything but the new automobile. He declares that he heard Mother talking about it in her sleep.

October 14th

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"Ford" for five hundred and sixty-five dollars, two hundred and fifty dollars down and twenty-five dollars a month. The lighting system and self-starter will be twenty-five dollars extra but, while it would be nice it is not necessary. Mother is simply delighted. She enjoys a ride more than anything else and it will mean so much to her to be able to get out after. We are all so excited and as Mrs. Boer and I



can already drive me no time will  
be lost having some anxious.

I sincerely hope that John and  
William are getting along nicely.

Please give them my love and a  
good blessing for me. I think that  
the sun must be shining again so  
they can be out of doors. It is glorious  
here but the weather has been  
very disagreeable. There has been a two  
weeks rain.

The place is much improved with  
a nice lawn, hanging baskets and  
flowers. Mr. Bask has spent all  
his spare time making garden and  
doing the many things so necessary  
about a new place.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright are quite  
well and Cecil is still in the bank.

Each and every one unite with  
me in sending you their best love.

Please remember me to every one.

With a heart full of love and best  
wishes I am

Most affectionately,  
Phoebe Hill.

May 15-19 15.



one. You was sixteen dollars  
and she other twelve. Since  
they just suited me I thought  
I had just as well get both  
instead of waiting until  
later. I hope that you will  
approve. Everything is lovely  
and I thank you so much.  
You are so good to me. I  
wish that I could tell you  
just how much I appreciate  
it.

I told Mr. Bess what  
you said about the automobile  
and he went down yesterday  
afternoon to see about it. He  
found that he can get a

117 W. Jackson St.,  
Glendale, Cal.

Dear Mrs. Hearst.

It is wonderful  
to be at home again and  
find mother looking and  
feeling so well. Mrs. Bess  
is looking very badly but in-  
sists that she feels quite well.  
She is taking medicine in  
order to avoid an operation.  
Her trouble is gall stones and  
her physician tells her that  
it would be a very serious  
operation so it is best to avoid  
it if possible. There still



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remains fifty dollars to be paid to the nurse whom we have dispensed with as we are going to take mother to the Sanitarium for her treatment.

I didn't get away Wednesday night because Mrs. Mc Donald did not finish in time. It was too bad that you did not get down for Commencement. I was so disappointed at not getting to see you again. I was anxious for you to see the result of my shopping expedition.

Mrs. McLaughlin - the dear soul - went with me. I got three pairs of shoes, four pairs of gloves, material for two skirts, two waists and some embroidery for a dress. The latter was more expensive than I anticipated but as I wanted it so much I decided to omit one waist and the scarf. I wanted a hand bag so I got that instead of a parasol.

I went to Elgin for my hat. As Biran did not have what I wanted I found a smart little street hat, just the thing for my froger suit, and a pretty white



dress made then I remodelled  
some of last summer's dresses  
solid enough to start in  
with. I need some under-  
garments, stockings, and  
corsets.

I can't tell you how guilty  
I feel asking for so much  
but what am I to do?

The property, which was  
deeded to me, is up for sale  
but that seems hopeless just  
now. I hope it can be sold  
for enough to clear one of  
the places then by getting a  
position I could manage to  
live.

Mrs. Bass is feeling better  
I think. The baby is a great

117 W. Jackson St.  
Glendale, Cal.

Dear Mrs. Hearst.

After all you  
have done for us it seems  
an imposition to trouble  
you again but the time is  
so short I feel that I must  
make some definite plans. I  
have just awakened to the  
fact that I have nothing.  
Mr. Bass has kept me supplied  
with the little I have needed  
but he has no position and  
his reserve fund is about



exhausted, so I do not feel like asking him for more.

I took it for granted that I would go back to college and wrote you that I had no money but since I have heard nothing I have begun to think perhaps you have decided differently and I am very anxious and worried. All the trouble has been such an expense to you that I feel sorry to cause you any more.

If I return to college I must go Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> and as traffic is so heavy it will be necessary to make reservations several days in advance so shall be glad to hear from you soon if possible.

I realize that I am not in the best condition for resuming my work but I am following the doctor's orders explicitly and find that I am sleeping better and my appetite is improving then when I was got back I will not leave the worry that I have had heretofore.

I broke my glasses so must have them and I need a few things for college. I did not get to do the sewing which I planned but did get two white wash skirts, and a white

comfort to all. I love her  
more each day. She is so  
bright and happy I  
enjoy her.

I am afraid that my  
letters are misatis factory  
but everything in my  
head seems to be in  
great confusion so much  
as I have feared and so  
quickly. I feel my loss  
more each day & so, while  
I shall be sorry to leave  
my family, I shall  
welcome a change & I  
hope that you will see

Martha Hill



fit to send me to college.

I know how busy you are but  
do hope that you will be able to  
get a little rest at Hyntorn.

Thanking you for all that you  
have done and with a heart full  
of love I am

Affectionately,

Phoebe Hill.

Aug. 3 - 1915.

much trouble over the  
range. It seems that  
he was assigned range  
with another man  
as he did not have  
the required number (which  
is fifteen hundred sheep)  
to have a range by himself.  
The man did not want  
the sheep and acted very  
ugly about it, refusing  
to take them after they  
arrived in the mountains.  
Mr. Bass had to see the  
forest commissioner and  
he gave Mr. Bass the best  
part of the other man's

Lower Pine Ranch,  
Red Bank, Cal.

Dear Mrs. Hearst:-

The package which  
you sent came and  
we were so pleased  
at the evidence of your  
kind thought as well  
as with the things. The  
waist is very pretty and  
I shall try to keep away  
the sun-burn so I may  
not clash with its pink  
loveliness. The felt coat  
too is more than welcome



and I see that it is guaran-  
teed not to reveal the wearer's  
secrets (knock knees, bow legs  
and such) & it certainly is com-  
fortable to feel that, no matter  
how strong the light, you  
can not be seen through.  
Thank you so much, Mrs.  
Hearst. Mrs. Bass is next  
grateful for her two pretty  
waists but she will have the  
pleasure of thanking you for  
herself.

I hope that you are com-  
fortably installed at Nyntau  
Agua and that you are  
enjoying cool weather. I hope  
that this time you will  
get a good rest and have a  
little peace and quiet, so  
that you may come back  
refreshed in body and mind.  
I know that the boys are  
having a wonderful time.  
Give them my love.

Mr. Bass is back from a  
hard trip. He has had so

Phoebe Hill

range so now Mr. Bass  
is handling his sheep  
separately but the best  
dog is missing and  
Jeffre feels sure that  
the man killed him for  
spite. It is a great loss  
I assure you. He received  
the check for feed for  
the horses and he will  
write you soon.

Yesterday and last night  
were very hot. It did not  
cool off enough for me  
to go to sleep until after



Three o'clock this morning but  
there is a breeze now which  
tempers the heat.

We are going into town this  
afternoon - a great event in  
our quiet life - We are going  
to bring Marion Clark, Alberto's  
little girl, home with us.  
Druella likes her so much  
and is looking forward  
with delight to her visit.

After eight interruptions I have  
given up and shall say good-  
bye for this time for which fact  
I suppose you will be thankful  
perhaps, - yes doubtless.

Hoping that you are well  
and happy and thanking you  
again. With love from all  
the family I am

Affectionately,  
Phoebe Hill.

Friday, June 21 - 918.

will do as you suggest. Mother is just as anxious to have me prepare for college as I am and I will do my best. I have my books with me here. I have some of my sewing done. Before I go on I want to thank you for the beautiful skirts and combinations I do so appreciate them. They are what I needed most and just the articles I had not gotten around to

from Los Angeles so the trip was not so tiring. There is no fog, the air is so dry that washing hung out at night is dry in the morning while at home it is nearly impossible to dry the baby's clothes in the day time. The dry air is what mother needs. It is warm here all the time. It gets hot in the middle of the day but it is not oppressive because



of the dry atmosphere. The nights  
are delightful. Mother has a  
large airy room, twice as large  
as her room at home and  
it is far removed from all  
noise and confusion. We have  
a beautiful view from her  
window. In the warm part  
of the day we can put her in  
a wheel chair and take her  
out on the lawn. There are  
nurses and physicians within  
call. Mother is under the  
care of a physician now. Her  
heart is in very bad condition  
and her lungs too. She is  
taking special treatments to  
reduce the high blood pressure.  
The Doctor gives her great hopes  
and we can see her improving.

You are a dear good angel  
to make this possible. What can  
I ever do to show my gratitude?

We think your plan of  
alternating excellent and no



to express our feelings.  
I am sorry about Ethel.  
I hope that she is quite  
recovered by now.

George will be glad to  
get back to Cali form a. &  
would like to see him  
when he arrives. Will  
Charles be with him?

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Pete Hill  
I hope that John  
and William are having  
splendid times. I wish  
that you would give each  
a hearty hug and kiss  
for me. I am looking for-  
ward to the time when I

make. It was lovely of you  
I can't thank you half  
enough.

I will leave Mrs. Bass  
with Mother in July and  
finish the rest of my  
serving.

I know you think Mrs.  
Bass a much abused man.  
So he is but he never  
complains. He is willing  
to sacrifice his own com-  
fort when mother's welfare  
is concerned. Have she  
check for the maid sent  
to Mr. Bass if you will



be so kind. We are so glad to  
be able to help her. Wonder  
how it is that you always  
think of every thing.

The expenses are quite  
heavy here but they seem to  
be that any place where there  
is sickness. We get room and  
board for fifteen dollars a  
week for each of us, then mother's  
treatments, wheel, clinic and  
physician cost thirteen dollars  
and fifty cents. The nurse  
is fifteen dollars a week for  
seven hours. We send the  
laundry home so save that  
much. In all it amounts to  
fifty eight dollars and fifty  
cents a week.

Mrs. Hearst, I only wish that  
I could let you know how we  
feel about what you do for us  
but words seem so inadequate  
mother says that she longs to  
write you herself and at least  
try to thank you. We can't begin

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MRS. PHOEBE A. HEARST,

FAIRMONT HOTEL SAN FRANCISCO, CAL

AM SAFE AT HOME EVERYBODY WELL HAD A PLEASANT TRIP

WITH LOVE.

PHOEBE HILL.

JULY 23 10 20A



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HOAGG, EMMOGENE MARTIN

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your apartment at Paris en route to Milano. Not to grasp such a delightful opportunity, would be to deny myself a privilege I much appreciate and one I should greatly enjoy. As I shall be quite alone, there is a sense of security in knowing in advance just where I am to be domiciled.

Our conversation being interrupted, the day I visited you with my sister, by our arrival at the depot, I neglected to ask the directions relative to my introduction to your friend.

And although I have

strain.

Mrs Kheiralla and her Aunt expect to start away tomorrow for Paris, and I shall feel quite deserted. I have so enjoyed the time with Mrs K. since her return which has been occupied with explanations of her glorious visit.

One of the two I was teaching has accepted, that is my Maestro, who is really converted from non-belief - the other, a lady, I hope may - but being advanced in years, and with her mind so clogged with Catholicism, it is difficult to turn the thoughts into a new channel - but if God is willing this light will be given her.

Kindly give my best wishes to Miss Apperson, - to whom I shall write soon - Miss Lane, and Miss Pearson - with love to -

yourself

Ever Sincerely Yours

Emogene Hoagg

Milano -

Via Rossini 8

Apr 8/99.

Mrs Kheiralla has decided to go directly on to London by advice of the doctor and will leave on Monday

Friday.



My dear Friend:

After receiving Miss Apperson's postal from Athens, saying you were returning to Italy, I had really hoped that your plans were to visit Milano, but, after Mrs Kheiralla's arrival, she received a letter from Mrs Cropper, so I realize that you have passed us by.

I should have written you many times had I followed my inclinations, but do not want to impose my meager epistles upon you, whose time is so precious - But now I wished to remind you of a kindness you offered, which would be of much value to me, and for which I should be exceedingly grateful - that is some letters to persons in London, friends of



yours, if I am not mistaken, who might be  
of assistance to me in case I wish to sing  
there - - - As there is a prospect of my going  
this season, I have taken the liberty to  
recall your kind offer, and trust I am not  
presuming upon your generosity -

Unfortunately for the past two weeks, I have  
not been able to study, on account of a relax  
of the bowels which continued until I was obliged  
to call a doctor - He pronounced it catarrh  
of the intestines, put me to bed for five days  
on a milk diet, which I am to continue for  
at least two months - - I am still quite weak  
and have not yet been out, although I think  
I am improving - - - In the meantime

I have lost two opportunities to sing abbeato  
- one was at Parma, four hours from here, a  
splendid occasion; the other here in Milan,  
which would have been very advantageous as an  
advertisement, as it were - - - However, that  
I do not mind as much as my inability to  
study, as I do not enjoy losing time, especially  
as my voice was going so well - I was so  
desirous that you should hear me again, for  
I am sure you would find a great difference,  
for I was in such miserable voice when you  
heard me - My Maestro is very pleased with  
my progress since my return, and I have  
sung for a few critics, who have expressed  
themselves very favorably - - - Of course, like  
all other things one can continue, and  
continue learning, and I fear I shall never  
arrive at that perfection, when I shall  
feel perfectly contented with myself -

I sincerely hope your trip has rested  
and done you worlds of good - you surely  
were in need of quiet and repose from mental



Ernestine Henry

P. L.



Just after sealing your letter yesterday, a letter arrived from Miss Apperson, saying you were still in Florence and have been ill.

I am so sorry, ~~but~~ hope you are much better by this time. It is quite exasperating to be ill at any time, but exceedingly so when one is away from home.

If I could only know the day you pass through Milano, I would love to see you, if only a few moments, at the station, for tomorrow I am permitted to go out.

Today I am feeling much better, and so much stronger, although it is not a good day for the nerves, as there is a strong wind blowing



I shall write to Miss Apperson  
and hope to have good news  
of your arrival there, which  
she wrote she expected would  
be about the twentieth --

Again with best wishes  
for your return to good health  
and strength. - Emmogene

be obliged to remain at home  
for I want to keep very quiet  
before my Concert, but I see no  
way, as yet. People think it  
so funny if one is not always  
ready.

I have had an occasional  
peep at Miss Tillyer and Miss  
Goodall.

For a few days after you left  
I was feeling quite down, but  
yesterday and today am quite  
myself. . . . On the 10<sup>th</sup> I am

singing an "Ave Maria" written  
by my Master with violin  
obligato by Mr. Bul. It should  
please, as it is very beautiful.

With best wishes and love

Most Sincerely

Emogene Hoagg

22 Gower St.  
London. W.C.

100 £ Mr.  
sent by  
Parsons J. C. H. Monday -

My dear Mrs Hearst:

While you are still  
skimming over the waters,  
I am going to write you, so  
that you will receive this  
before you leave New York.

I hope the trip will have  
been pleasant and you will  
have rested well.

In the meantime all is  
planned for my Concert. I  
was advised afterwards to change  
the date to Monday July 10<sup>th</sup>  
as everyone goes away from  
London on Saturday, at this  
time of the year, - and also  
Mr. Vernon - the tenor who  
is to sing for me - had an  
early "at-home" for Saturday



So today I expect the notices  
and programs will be out.  
Mr Plunket Greene very  
condescendingly took ten  
pounds off his usual price  
and sings for twenty.  
Fortunately he is the only  
artist I must pay.

The piano will be furnished  
by a firm whose proprietor  
is a friend of my Masters,  
and he wishes to furnish  
some very good pianist - which  
will cost me nothing.

I have written to Mrs Carr  
and she says you had spoken  
to her before you left, so  
that will be all right.

So far as I can see the  
expenses will not exceed  
a hundred - part of which  
you gave me, you remember.

As yet I have received no letter from  
your Secretary in regard to the  
tickets - you wanted me to send to some  
of your friends - I hope she will not  
forget.

On Friday afternoon I have invited  
a few friends, - there will be some music  
- Mr Peel has kindly consented to play,  
- Mrs Carr is coming, - and I hope we will  
have a pleasant afternoon.

On Thursday I am invited to sing at  
a very nice At Home, - a Mrs Gifford  
who has taken an interest in me and  
will interest her friends for the concert.  
Then Miss Pittman has a Musical on  
July 6<sup>th</sup> and I should very much like to

Europe Street

Sunday

My dear Mrs Hearst:

It seems to me that I illy expressed my appreciation of the pleasure and physical benefit I derived from my lovely visit with you, either in words or manner; but unfortunately it was given me to feel and not the power of its expression.

I know that you have brought into my life the possibility of contentment of mind and the realization of many dreams. For these things, thanks are but idle words, and I can only hope that the power may sometime be given me, of expressing all I cannot say, and in



a manner more convincing than words.

I sincerely trust you are feeling much better, and will steadily improve to perfect health.

My ride down on Friday with Mr. Gutsinger was very satisfactory. We had a very interesting conversation, which, although I cannot express why, seems to have lifted much of the depression I was under, and brought a soothing influence.

It is surely not, because I arrived at any direct idea of the perfect cure to be realized, but perhaps his earnestness and sincerity brought a certain conviction of the possibilities.

At least, I am in a decidedly good state, to receive the "electrical" treatment, and have arranged a longer stay with my people — which was not a difficult matter as they also are anxious for my perfect recovery of health — and have decided to go directly to Oakland as soon as all can be satisfactorily arranged.

From time to time I will let you know of my progress, as you have so kindly interested yourself in me.

With affectionate gratitude,

Emmogene Hoagg  
2029 Purice St

Kind regards to Miss Asperson and Miss Lane.

16:23

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gifts that you have sent us.  
Since the Xmas holidays I  
have been so immersed in  
work that I have fallen into  
the very shabby system of  
slipping into a post office  
on my way home and sending  
a carte-postale bi-weekly to  
the people at home - to tell  
them that we were alive and  
well - I dared not treat my  
friends that way - The letter  
box from Italy arrived safely  
and was opened on Xmas day  
and you can imagine how  
we were delighted not only with  
the pins themselves but of you  
thinking of us when you  
already had done so much to

Paris -  
Feb. 12. 1899

Dearest Mrs Hearst  
The Mardi-Gras Festival  
is on us which brings me  
two days holiday so I am  
going to commence my  
celebration by doing something  
that I have not been able  
to do as yet owing to my  
utter inability to hold a  
pencil for a long time  
by the four-lock - that is  
write to you and tell you  
how much we enjoy and  
appreciate the beautiful



make our Christmas a bright and  
happy one - As we simply could not  
choose which wanted which of the  
books we drew lots and I fell heir  
to the Etienneau design - The woman's head  
holding the little bell, which I was  
delighted at as I had preferred it  
from the first - But the clock - Such a  
wonderful surprise as it all has  
been - I do wish you could see it - looking  
serenely away on our shelf - We now  
wonder how we ever could have done  
without it - Mrs. Pallas went to no  
end of trouble to find a charming  
one and had four beauties sent up  
to her house for our inspection - I  
preferred a lovely Louis 15 - of the four  
but May thinking it too large and  
too grand perhaps for our humble  
little room here went with Mr. Pallas  
to the shop and chose another Louis  
15 - a miniature of the first in lovely dull  
brass which harmonizes most beautifully  
with every thing - We have enjoyed  
no much your letter from Huron -  
It was so good of you to write to us  
especially with those nice letters on  
the desk before you unbuttoned "



and doing every thing to  
keep warm. Now the Spring  
seems fairly to have burnt  
up us. It is no mild, but  
perhaps it will not last long.  
We got a long letter from  
home the day before yesterday.  
Mamma was still anxious  
about St. George who has been  
terribly run down. He had  
a bad abscess in his ear. The  
doctor was called in and also  
found that he would have to  
go through a small operation  
on his throat for some growth  
that had formed there. After  
careful nursing he is much  
better but still not quite his

I am so glad that this trip  
has been such a success in  
every way and that you  
have got from it that well  
earned rest that you needed  
so much. What an ideal  
existence it must be floating  
up between the sunny lands  
and seeing those wonderful  
remains of that interesting  
old civilization. It did  
seem so highly unnatural  
to think of you all having  
real summer weather and  
out-door life a week or so  
ago when we were snuggling  
our hands into muffs and



old self - He is growing so fast that  
it has robbed him of his strength.  
All the others are well and I can  
imagine the state of mind they are  
in at having Jay leave for Europe -  
He got the letter answering our  
first to-morrow if the ocean is  
propitious and brings us the post  
in time - It will mean so much to  
her coming over here just now and  
that is another debt of gratitude we  
owe to you for letting her come -

May joins me in warmest love  
to you - Hoping that all is going  
well with you and with love to  
your two girls and kindest  
remembrances to the rest of the party  
I am ever

Very affectionately yours

Anna H. Holden

13 rue Bonaparte

Here are some snow  
-drops that we were sent  
yesterday -



How very short your  
stay at the S. Francis  
was. Hoping you are  
having a most delightful  
stay on the M. Coast.  
I am

Yours affectionately  
Anna D. H. Allen.

2014 Sacramento St.

Jan 22/11/05.

San Francisco.  
Thursday.

My dear Mrs. Hearst  
Not hearing from  
you last week I wrote  
of Mr. Bangs asking  
him I recd on the  
line, as I suppose by  
that time it is in  
your possession and  
I only heard afterwards

wishes in 1909, and  
may this letter find  
you well and surrounded  
by all those you love. -  
I am having a most  
pleasant little rejoin-  
der now - taking place  
people, and work as  
much, and life in general  
in the Hawaiian Islands  
I have found delightful  
- having a peculiar charm  
all the way. - I feel  
good well. I will progress  
on to Japan after this

Dec 27 - 1908

Dec. 16 - 1908.  
Dearest Mr. Hearst.  
The dear old Mrs. Hearst  
is with us again -  
making a delightful  
excursion for sending our  
very best wishes for the  
happy day, and for the  
New Year. I far away  
friends. - I wish you  
with all my heart - all  
happiness, and the best  
felicitations of all your dearest



as a good evening awaits  
me there - and I wish  
I had see the country of  
my dreams. - But much  
of course depends on home  
matters. - All letters contain  
good news, but this post  
I am awaiting anxiously  
a letter telling about  
May's expected event. -  
I dare not worry -  
He are going to home a  
lovely Mrs here, in this  
jolly big family where

I am staying - But we are  
up of our eyes in preparations,  
and we are ~~thought to~~ already  
keep growing along. I at times hear  
news so far away, and you will  
be greatly amongst those who are  
in mine when we are visiting  
the health of absent friends at  
James dinner. - With very much  
love to you dear Mrs. Keard -  
Muhammad your affectionately  
Maui.  
Son of Hawaii. Pono to Hawaii.



All is well with you  
and will continue to  
be though I do not  
1910. - Some letters  
mention that you are  
well - and leading your  
some full and lonely  
life, and may all  
your fondest hopes be  
realized in the New  
Year. -

Yours affectionately  
Anna D. H. Holden  
Dec. 26th. - 09.



Hakamao.

Nov. 14.

Dearest Mrs. Hearst

A thousand hearty  
wishes to you for a  
Merry Xmas and a most  
Happy New Year to you  
and yours. - Christmas  
with all other charms  
has the endearing fashion  
of bringing about  
friends most vividly  
of the mind, and while  
thinking of you I am  
hoping and wishing that



would have had a host of  
letters from me - but  
unfortunately it is only now  
that I can find a little  
breathing spell & devote  
some of the amenities  
of life - among which I  
count writing to friends -  
and that is only caused  
by the heating system of  
our school - going wrong,  
and enforcing on us an  
unexpected but most  
timely holiday - the long  
spell of vacation caused

San Francisco.

Jan. 13/6. 1919.

Dearest Mrs. Hearst -

I think that this  
glorious year is over two  
weeks old, and I have not  
yet thanked you for your  
truly charming Xmas gift.  
Not even sent you a letter  
wishing you Xmas joy or a  
most happy 1919. - I wish  
and thoughts could only  
materialize themselves, you



by the influenza very much shortening up the Christmas holidays, and making school days much more crowded and intense. -  
Well dearest Mrs. Hearst "the box" was a joy as it always is - such beautiful luminous lovely things - the exquisite blouses and goods - each so perfect for each and the charming cards in your own dear handwriting. - Your "box" is always the great event

and excitement of the day. - And thank you for the cheque. - It is so dear of you. - My part of it is going to a pair of theatre glasses of study birds with which I use at the theatre. - I have always used a borrowed pair, and now it is so good I feel that I will have a pair of my own which will last me all my life. - I do hope you are yours - I have not had this dreadful influenza, and that your box comes among the darling grandsons has



by the change. - I am so  
much love goes to you  
with this letter, and  
again warmest thanks  
and most appreciation  
for your beautiful  
kind thoughts of us all.  
With all best wishes

To you -

Yours affectionately

Mrs. H. Holden

2835 Divisadero St.

was reaching out & us & help,  
and we were so glad that Detroit  
was the only one that really needed  
it and that we need not  
further tax your dear kindness  
and thoughtfulness. - But I  
cannot describe to you how  
truly touched we were at your  
thought of us. Surely this  
earthquake has been a terrible  
thing but the bright side of the  
picture has been the plucky  
courage people have taken and  
the glorious and disinterested  
sympathy and generosity of  
humanity in general. - I suppose  
you have read every thing printed  
about our tumbler and fire with  
the deepest interest, and I can

(% Mrs. C. S. Pope)  
{ 2024 Oak St. }

Los Angeles.  
Aug. 22nd. 1906.

Dearest Mr. Hearst  
I think that four  
months have passed since our  
poor old San Francisco met  
with such dire disaster and that  
I am only writing to you now  
of most warmly thank you for  
your beautiful help in time  
of trouble, so generously extended  
and so very gratefully accepted  
I did over the last time.  
When Fred Breckwell came to us  
with Mr. Clark's message for  
Mamma to go over to the  
office we just felt that your  
kind and generous spirit was



appreciate how very anxious  
you must have been for the  
many friends and dear ones  
in California when all news at  
first was so vague and horrifying  
and dreadful. - Our first and  
great anxiety was really those  
dear people away - Marvin  
in L. Angeles and Saint in  
Chicago - so impossible I get  
of them by wire until Saturday.  
And what they went through  
as well as thousands of others  
far away from the scene of  
excitement, I think was infinitely  
more pathetic & for the time  
being, than it was with us  
in the face of danger and

destruction. - An hour after the quake  
I wrote them both and was amazed  
afterwards to hear that they actually  
got their letters about a week later, and  
going over to Oakland Cal.  
Thursday night my first call in the  
morning was to get a bunch of post  
cards and send them in all directions  
of friends and relatives telling them  
we were safe and well and alive.  
I suppose mine to you was among  
the first things you had from  
California - the earth-quake was a  
terrible thing, but was soon forgotten



whole families broken up -  
their fortunes bettered or  
ruined - and characters totally  
metamorphosed. - Every-one  
was so good and kind and  
patient and true - And a  
lump of good honest thanks  
were in many throats I know  
when Mr. Hearst's train dashed  
into San Francisco - the first  
of come - I bring in relief to  
the stricken city. - It all seems  
like a strange dream now that  
I am away. - Here we not  
fortunate to have our roof-tree  
sown. - They simply dynamited

The whole of Francisco ~~but from~~  
and I and I saw the ~~section~~  
but I came I in my ~~and~~  
work but every thing ~~and~~  
Then studies early in ~~the day~~  
staying with May ~~has~~  
pre in the Public ~~Library~~  
up all my morning ~~hours~~  
And Teresa is making ~~a new~~  
start in her studies ~~work~~  
nothing but good news ~~work~~  
so well and true and ~~exceeding~~  
so finely in his own ~~beauty~~



handemoniums of noise. - None  
of us were frightened - no one  
was - I think it was so dreadful  
people were beyond that - the  
and it seemed to last and  
last, and finally subsided.  
The house rocking like a cradle  
for fully five minutes after-  
wards. - But then came the  
great fire - You would never  
know our old town with its  
time honored land-marks now  
- and it looks, all of it, as if  
it had happened a thousand  
years ago. - Such changes that  
have been wrought - everything  
familiar swept out of existence.

forgoten when the fire began  
raging in all directions. - We  
were all awakened by the  
horrible movement which seemed  
to strike the house like a great  
tidal wave and furiously shake  
us in - home and all - we were  
in the arms of some horrible  
monster. - I sprang out of bed  
and rushed to Mother's room  
in the back of the house -  
She was just coming, & we  
and we all met in the dining  
-room, and there stood, or  
rather reeled - clinging to each  
other - the rumbling - and  
chimneys cracking all around  
us making a perfect



of several friends - that  
might  
have about such things -  
that I am now vacation  
this summer, during  
the 3 months vacation  
I make myself useful,  
and thought that you  
also may hear about  
some one that wants  
general tutoring or French  
chatting - in the family -  
- some one that perhaps  
likes to go from the  
maddening crowd - or is



Jan. 26th.  
1911.

My dear Mrs. Hearst  
I know you receive  
such hosts of letters asking  
favor of you that I  
should hesitate sending  
this, but hope that you  
will not feel that I  
sent it in that spirit -  
I have been mentioning

8/10/11  
Ans.



away in the country  
home - and would care  
I have a stranger  
organizing among them.  
- I do not have the idea  
of a long summer with  
no return coming in  
each month. end - but if  
nothing remunerative  
"turn up" will settle  
down quiet & happy  
and do the household  
and are delighted things  
that a too busy writer

cannot write. - I am pleased  
to hear of the ever-increasing  
your busy hours, and I regret  
all about it if it is a bother  
to you. I do hope that this  
finds you - and all your  
are happy - quite well. - And  
thank you again for the card  
of three weeks ago. we did  
not say so sorry of it. -  
Affectionately yours.  
Lucia K. J. Alden.  
2060 Green St. - S. F.

ago last Thursday she  
left for the South & Ray  
an indefinitely long visit  
of May. taking all her  
tools and materials, and  
the change - and working  
with May in the big  
cost studio is going to  
do a world of good to her.  
Her grief and distress has  
been truly pathetic. - Philly  
has no much heart - and  
you can imagine how  
we all felt it for her.  
Glorious so very very much

Ans. 7 Feb/12.

Thursday.

Dear Mrs. Hearst

Did you hear that  
Philward's engagement  
had been broken off. -  
We are writing to a  
few friends out of  
town telling them of  
it. - It has been  
dreadfully sad and  
hard on my poor dear  
little sister. - A much





16:24

HOLDEN, HESTER & FAMILY

OUTGOING

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On the Nile, Egypt.

Jahleel "Lili"

~~Hacienda del Pozo de Yano~~  
Jan 18<sup>th</sup> 1899.

My dear girls.

My thoughts have been with you many times, but I have written comparatively few letters since leaving Rome. Two weeks have passed since we started on this journey up the Nile, and my rest has been so complete, I feel equal to writing any number of letters. There are very nearly, or quite 60 lying here on my table that I must answer, but they can wait a day or two longer. I want to have a little talk with you, and then I will give up my indolent habits, and do a little work. I hope you are well, and having comforts, and going occasionally, or often, to the Opera, Concerts, and theatre. How I wish

you could be with us. I fear the winter in Paris is very trying. There are many cold, dull days. but I know you are both so deeply interested in your work, you do not care very much about the temperature. However you enjoy the sunlight also. I wish you could have a few weeks of this warmth & comfort, and glorious sunsets, and visions of the marvelous past. We are all well, and I may be quite unfitted for future serious work. I rest & sleep and read.

Day after tomorrow we will arrive at Luxor, and expect to remain there four or five days. we will see Karnak, Thebes and Luxor. on our return trip will spend three days there. we expect to stop twice or three times before reaching Assuan. but must be there on the 29<sup>th</sup> to start to the second Cataract on the 30<sup>th</sup>. We must leave this dear little boat.



go by rail a short distance, and  
Take the Steamer. will be absent from  
our boat from Monday until Sunday.  
Will see Phila when we return to  
Assuan.

I hope to hear from you when we  
reach Luxor, and will then send  
a few lines.


Please send my love to your dear  
Mother. Jay. Milly. & St George. I  
must write to St George & send him  
a check so he may feel quite independent  
of his father. He is a fine boy.

Good bye dear girls. I hope  
this year may bring you many  
blessings.

Yours affectionately.

Phoebe A. Hearst.



 Munich. September 7th 1872.

Dear Mrs. Holden:  
You have been very kind  
to write to me of yourself and the  
girls, and I have been pleased to  
hear from you all. Just after my  
arrival in England, I had a letter  
from Ella, and recently one came  
from May. It was truly a great shame  
that Ella could not go East to her  
relatives, but there is no accounting  
for men's whims. I am always glad  
to know how you are all getting on  
and what you are doing. You must  
certainly know my long silence is  
not owing to indifference. When I came  
away I was so very tired, that I  
determined not to write letters,  
excepting a few, absolutely necessary

for my business - including of course,  
those to my father and mother.

We had a comfortable voyage over  
and was met by my son. The friends  
who came on the same steamer separated  
in London and went their respective  
ways. We remained three weeks there  
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Munich. September 7<sup>th</sup> 1892.

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2030 Franklin St.

San Francisco Ca

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September 6 1978

Mr William Randolph Hearst Jr  
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My dear Mr Hearst,

I find myself quite overwhelmed by the accomplishments of  
your Grandmother and Grandfather as described in the Older-  
Boyle's volumes # 61 owned by the Holden family, and of course  
by your own editorials in the Sunday Examiner.

In spite of this feeling as my part, you might like to have copies of  
some of your Grandmother's letters, and a picture of yourself at  
about two, that a very proud Grandmother sent to her friend

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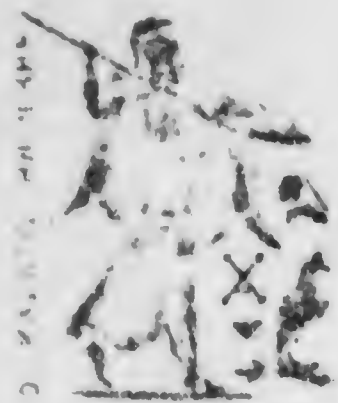
Your Grandmother most graciously gave my mother Marion  
and her sisters Anna and Octavia Holden the privilege of studying  
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the late nineties. My Uncle St George was an office boy for your  
Grandmother for a time, and we cherish the letter of recommendation.  
Mrs. Hearst subsequently wrote for him.

Our whole family is most appreciative for what your family did  
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Yours very sincerely,

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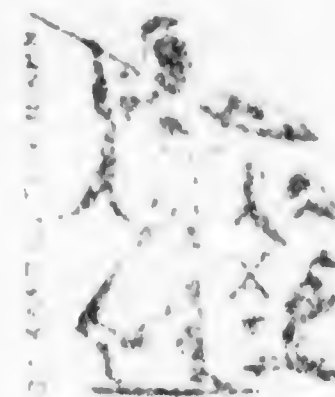
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It gives me the  
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to know that you  
are again and  
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cellent sight, - and  
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of your dear girl's  
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March sixteenth, 1915.



HACIENDA DEL POZO DE VERONA.

My dear Mr. Holden:-

I am inviting  
a few friends  
for dinner on  
Saturday evening,  
February twenty-  
ninth, and to  
remain over until  
Sunday afternoon.  
It will give me  
great pleasure  
if you can join us.



It will be necessary  
to take the fast  
train for Pleasanton  
which leaves S. F.  
via broad gauge  
boat at four p. m.

Trusting that  
I may have the  
pleasure of seeing  
you upon the  
twenty-ninth, I  
am

Yours very sincerely  
T. J. Harsh.

Pleasanton

February twentieth.



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My dear Mr. Lyman  
Your kind  
letter received this  
morning. I send  
address at three -  
Place Vendôme  
Paris - L.



No longer can write with  
ink, Mrs  
My darling  
Marta Goldson

Wednesday



How inadequate a pen is  
I express real feeling

Beloved Friend

Today paper tells  
me the long struggle is over  
& you are alone - you  
have the comfort of thinking  
you have done every thing  
that could be done & P  
I thank God your Son  
is with you - This solemn  
time alone with you



will have been doing  
effort on him & what  
a blessing he will be  
to you. I have heard  
late of so many kind  
& generous things Mr  
Hart had done -  
they will be a pleasant  
memory always, the keeper  
says that the good deeds  
men do are often tried

with them, but I think they  
live long & I have seen some good  
men who did many good  
deeds & helped many many  
people in <sup>the</sup> difficult world -  
I shall not weary you with  
more words, John has been  
most kind to heart &  
in my prayers  
Affectionately  
Peter Holden  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> 1891  
[1891]



to Lady & being popped off &  
then Raphael in the big middle  
of her harvest look -  
I have just got an invitation  
to spend my Saturday at the  
fair - so that's that - well, I went  
on looking for it with day & then  
felt I only had half a peep, so I

My dear Mr. Hunt  
Wherever you  
are east or west  
you always do  
me a good turn,  
Thanks again &  
again for the  
Libel - & the Mercantile



Library - there he is  
many readers in  
the house. We return  
this membership a  
blessing, which  
you may be sure  
we hastened to take  
advantage of -  
the two books are before  
me on the table as  
I write -

May is better than she has been,  
so though she has not all of  
which her picture she intended  
for the exhibition at the Fokiers  
house; yet the judges put three  
thallies to her in - & she  
great joy being there on the  
line - poor soul she did feel



Am not a little  
pleased to get another  
chance. Is it not  
a shame they are  
going to have a  
lion fight at the  
fair. I just hope  
the Examiner will  
fairly roset D'Young,  
my finger tips are  
itching to write him.

Nov. 25/94

Wm. D. D'Young



Sp. of course you  
have read Mr. Linn's  
letters. Is he not  
terribly old & young  
& I may add  
the Pacific Bank  
he is certainly a  
truly lettered writer -  
he has his mind  
made up & will  
never get to Washington

& I am sure I pray he may  
not - but I must shut keep

you away longer - heaps &  
heaps of love from

your affectionate

Hester Holden



Dearest Mr. Heart: I know you  
are in agony about all your  
friends: so I hasten to tell you  
we at least are safe. The general  
horrors you will have read of in  
the papers, the sight of the earthquake  
was with hundreds of others slept in  
the square (Lafayette), it was a bad day's  
sight: we had been there all day  
but in the middle of the night, or  
rather 10 o'clock up to morning Mr.  
Hooknell & Fred. came up. A little  
later I saw Mr. Pinkhead, you would  
have been proud of the inhabitants  
of your adopted city, but a complaint  
did I hear, but am both on a  
sudden word from the roughest men,  
all trying to help out the others -  
we were much pleased in our friends,  
three young men came when the  
fire had been so little the girls carried  
the best carried out the better  
furniture & put the clothes in  
sheets: & they carried them across



of the square. tore up the parlor  
carpet (your report is spread it over  
all - he did not leave till the  
fire was at Franklin st - one block  
away. When a young man who  
had come over from Oakland &  
see after his just made me come  
over to Oakland. So here we are  
with friends. Anna Octavia Miller & J,  
Ellie is at her post - she is night  
superintendent at the Childrens  
Hospital. The fire did not go out  
any where near there, but the  
earthquake shattered the buildings  
very much & loads of plaster fell  
on the cubs, but Ellie had her staff  
out in three minutes & every child  
was lifted before any were injured  
but could you have seen the clabs  
of plaster where the little heads  
has been you would have choked,  
for the future we have no fear, we  
are all perfectly well. earthquakes  
do not shake out brains - if we

cannot do one thing we can  
do another. a girl like Anna  
who passed first in a class of 50  
in the library exam (I was only  
told there was to be an exam three  
days before & did not know what  
the subjects or questions were & he,  
can do something else if she does  
lose her place. (The head librarian  
sent for her & said no one had ever  
passed so high before) Two weeks ago  
she was sent to lecture at Stanford  
& gave great satisfaction, she certainly  
can turn her hand to something -  
of course Octavia has ~~lost~~ lost  
all her valuable tools & precious  
leather & so forth, so possibility of  
setting up again for many a day  
but she also can work in many  
ways. Phillips coming, the same  
fate - but never mind we  
will be all right. Provisions from  
all quarters are flowing in.



The Express (at Sea) from  
both Los Angeles & Chicago reached  
in at once. I said to the girls as  
we lay out during the night. I am  
dying to let any thing I possess  
the great relief of the reached in will  
be from Will & family, later I heard  
from Mr. Rockwell that he was on  
the Atlantic - Ned climbed in  
by the transoms in the Mills building  
& got out the sunsets plans -

I tell you many good deeds  
have been done - I hardly know  
what I have written, but I  
am sure however incoherent it  
will relieve your mind

Now I hope you may see  
it what will it be like

Truly  
Walter H. H. H.

P.S. - I do not think I said the fire was stopped  
within one block of our place - what thankfulness  
at present no one can return to San Francisco  
but as soon as ever we can get there we shall  
turn too & clean the house & fill it with loaded  
many must want such a place, we can look  
& do every thing, but at present it is too  
unsanitary, no water, & no fire allowed  
we could not get up meals for any one -



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2019, Jan. 1st.

Went to school  
To see I have  
but call a little  
Went left for  
Bellevue from  
Lack - Dear



Journalism by  
Thomas Paine  
A thousand welcomes  
to all who have  
been interested in the



I sent it right off to  
them - Does it not seem  
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the long hard pull of  
working up a business -  
but as of old the dear  
friend comes to the  
rescue & helps them  
up again - & he has  
all the strength & ready  
for any work that comes  
along - I have been  
trying to let my rooms  
but so far have not been  
able! but am not discouraged  
On Monday <sup>week</sup> the banks open



Dearest Mr. Heart

Mr. Clark sent for  
me a few days ago &  
told me of your wonderfully  
kind offer! At first I  
ached him to keep it  
a while, as we were  
getting a long family  
bill - & did not know  
how things would be  
in a month or so -  
St. George came out  
as soon as possible  
& he is keeping things going



Mena & Petunia went  
directly to Los Angeles. &  
Mena got a place in  
the public library. But  
Petunia's offer proved a  
failure. She has been  
strongly advised to set  
up a studio down there,  
is promised pupils & orders,  
many different pupils  
from different parts of  
the state have written  
her offering her the  
loan of their tools, &  
since they are not like

the give-away tools she had given  
Paris. But they will do to begin on - so  
Mena & she wish to take a couple of  
weeks down there & live as they did  
in Paris, & Mena & she have French  
pupils there also. the library but filling  
up all her time, & to let them go  
Petunia would have to get a piece &  
a few other materials to begin on. so  
I went yesterday to Mr. Clark & saw 100 \$



he has in San Francisco.  
I hope so, for this is a  
sort of tragic light on  
hand of the world should  
see. Witherto I have  
always been longing  
I see the ruins of Egypt  
Greece & Rome - I  
think I have had  
enough of ruins - &  
really I see some of  
the great rows of arches  
against the sky line  
seen & the wonderfully  
beautiful or what seems  
like a great tower standing  
all alone. Sincerely yours



I suppose these must  
return & see after  
their interests. As there  
are so few car lines  
running they can hardly  
live across the bay. No  
much walking has to be  
done, so I am sure some  
of the many will want  
my service - Mrs. Miller  
has still some pupils in  
Berkeley - Poor Miller  
feels so badly about having  
the money for your good  
75% - but she did not



know we have & have an  
earthquake & a fire when  
she got it - Oh! what  
if you were to see our  
dear old San Francisco  
so broad of mind could  
give you an idea of  
the extraordinary acceleration  
of the strange picturesque  
sights in the tented city,  
& the wonderful way it  
has brought out character.  
Often it is amusing;  
Some of these women  
who were so fond of managing  
others, are now all in a  
tremble, quaking at  
every sound & others

who have really thought about themselves  
seem really happy in their quiet <sup>triumphs</sup>  
Mr. Brinkman came out Monday and  
Ted Bennett - I hope he may be sent  
at the helm - he must be a grand  
man & like the really strong, dear  
all others of his kind - God! should  
see your sons camp in Kohland  
that has quick work & a good  
camp at that - but he always does  
such to the point! I heard yesterday





Could not recognize  
San Francisco but  
saw you had stopped  
in another hotel -

Well our own little place  
we have got cleaned  
up after the multitude  
used it for a bed room  
& we will not say  
how they used the kitchen,  
street looking well  
You be at an end



I be are all well &  
happy & thankful for  
what we have got  
Good night. Dear &  
A thousand thanks  
ever affectionately  
Walter Alden

2019 Sacramento St

May 14<sup>th</sup> [1906]

Walter Alden  
after the 5.7.7. fire



even for a short time  
I wish you & Leanne could  
be here - but I do hope  
you will look in - though  
I perfectly know how busy  
you are - very moment -  
but you have so long

Ans. 4/10/12.  
Hope to  
attend

Dearest Mr. Forest  
Over so many  
thanks for the tickets  
just come, & I  
may also say for  
all the Beech concerts  
which have each



giving me so much  
pleasure - But for  
you I should never  
hear & enjoy such  
things: they are  
beyond me - & how  
that my eyes are  
so utterly dead, then

outside pleasures are  
of all the more prized  
by this time you have  
got Pethys cards - it is very  
nice her giving this for  
Gullie - How much I wish  
you could be ~~there~~



Character is every  
thing & I think  
Auction has that  
& if a young man  
chooses to work  
he can make  
his own future.  
I have had enough

I will be

again thanks

very

W. H. L. L.

W. H. L. L.



stood by me in  
evil days. I cannot  
help wishing I have  
you when things  
may be a little  
better. I hope, &  
indeed think, Willie  
is doing well.



(Dec. 1912)

Dear dear heart  
Last night  
at the St. Francis,  
Somebody told  
me today is your  
birth day - how  
happy home have  
been made glad



that you ever  
saw the light -  
I for the cause  
never forget. What  
you have been  
to me - how I  
wish you every  
good thing  
& many many

Cherry forth days &  
especially I thank heaven  
you can see how  
gentling for me this time  
I hope you can read  
it I cannot  
truly & affectionately  
—



Ans. 16/III/13-  
Best kindred &  
Dearest of friends,  
Although I know  
you have but a  
moment of time  
to read this, yet  
out of the fullness  
of my heart, I  
simply must write  
I am so happy at  
being able to see  
again that I  
must share my  
joy with you -



As you shared <sup>2</sup> many a  
sorrow with me & helped me  
to get through many a hard  
day - this is my third letter  
but I'll be one to many -  
Ellie seems perfectly cured  
is it not wonderful - I wish  
many knew of Dr. Knapp's  
& give that peace that I have

<sup>3</sup>  
gained - so many  
blessings for surely  
the fair is another  
what pictures what  
music what joy  
altogether - Joe  
who have seen so  
much can hardly  
understand what  
it is to the busy  
stop at home - &  
to be even to cross  
the bay has been  
air spent -

Thanks again



I let again for all the kind  
things you did for me when  
I could not reply. so this I send  
must bundle up all my  
warm grateful thoughts in  
the bunch.

Sincerely

affectionately  
Peter H. Golden



good better than May's head - what would  
 she have said - also it is fortunate  
 we have so thousands stories, electric  
 wire, might have impeded the consequence  
 this is good Friday & nature seems  
 in unison with the stormy day -  
 I hope you may have a joyful  
 Easter - it has always seemed to  
 me the loveliest & sweetest hopeful &  
 cheery of our church festivals, more  
 so than Xmas - for after our first  
 birth there is more sadness than  
 pleasure about Xmas & the cheerless  
 breath of that season tends to foster  
 melancholy recollections, again & my dear

Happy Easter  
Gordon  
Spectacular  
Spectacular

Spalding

My dear Mr. Hearst  
Just the day after  
I wrote I was having seen  
about your entertainment  
in the paper. I got your  
affectionate note sending  
me an account of your  
going on, which pleased  
me greatly. it seemed be  
each thought of the other  
the same time. I had



Glad I hear of your success  
& you knew I should be  
Yesterday I posted I gave  
a card of thanks. I did not  
like it at all! but she said  
the idea was good & so I let  
her alone. She has been looking  
so hard at the school & so  
Saturday she had no time for  
any thing more finished,  
they give a weeks holiday  
just now so I took her out  
for a month but she paying  
for a month & only getting three  
weeks & a commutation ticket  
and the sailing - May is in

dark high feathers at the idea of  
getting so much money for her book,  
she says it is too good news & she  
thinks or she is sure some special  
snow storm will sweep & break  
the train & that will be the end  
of it - I have just finished toiling  
up two lovely toques for the girls with  
of your ornaments & materials pulled  
offices - I paid 10 cents for Ellis  
frames & May I manufactured for the  
of some electric wire from Richards  
Machines & a full sack of flour  
shirt - These are the best of adversity  
of your much products (My head broken)



Good you have been obliged to thank  
God for you - & how praising it would  
God you please. I wish to tell you  
about the success of me & your young  
people - & I am quite sure the work  
thought will be very good - Well dear  
we also are getting along in our quiet  
way. Mamma is very poor & in the morning  
till I in the evening. Class after class  
she is our chief bread winner. Alice  
always gets work - she had an excellent  
situation head nurse in a hospital in New

Dear beloved friend  
"Cast thy bread upon  
the waters & thou shalt find  
it after many days" is a  
fine old proverb & last  
Sunday afternoon, in  
spite of much chatting  
going on around me,  
it rang in my ears all  
the time, as I thought  
of you far away & the  
work you have done for  
others. Coming back to your  
adopted city, we spent  
the afternoon with Ted



Kenneth. in his little  
Cottage perched on the twin  
peaks - Mr. Burnham as you  
know has been backed by  
a committee & come here  
to lay out plans for beautifying  
San Francisco, & he has  
brought Ted Bennett with  
him & established him  
in this little place built  
for him. Perched up high  
so that he can all the  
time & in every light survey  
the city. Mr. Burnham  
has gone on to Manila  
where he has been requested  
to do the same thing & has

left Ted here in charge of the whole work -  
& splendid work he is doing - he is a  
remarkable young man full of genius,  
genius that would reach some some  
of the best but for you - I am sure  
he will come to great things - he has  
thought so deeply over his work & looked  
so farthfully & hard, so as I set these  
pictures of his plans & looking at  
his. Granting of Architectural Drawings  
the proofs of study. I thought of you & the



Don't forget the I agree always  
lovingly yours  
Mrs. Holden  
and Bennett  
new place for 5.7.  
Walter Holden

2019 Sacramento  
October 28th

Karow became too ill  
I direct her play & it  
had to come off without  
her - I need not add  
I wore the dress of Jones  
I wore at Mary's wedding,  
only for Jones I suppose  
I should have been  
bedridden for clothes  
long long before this -  
But as it is I make a  
fine appearance in  
them this morning a day,  
This summer I felt



really ill for a long  
time. But up I may  
saily took which had  
I be done - but last  
month some dear friends  
asked <sup>me</sup> up I recovered  
for a week - it did me  
so much good I returned  
a new being - the sweet  
air the lovely trees the  
tall tall ferns filled me  
with delight. the bathing  
every day was glorious & so  
above all eating & drinking  
without thinking & was

it green from & how it has looked &  
looking at clothes without fathering  
about the stitching was such a novel  
& charming experience - it is so broad  
I get the change & some some fine  
decorated - but I must not write  
any more I must leave duty on for  
& with heaps of love & best wishes  
for you, lovely Mary & deep gratitude  
for the fact which can never



for six months. but the  
high Altitude disagreed  
with her - & her health is  
her only capital. she had  
to pick it up - she came  
home for a months rest -  
but at the end of the  
month at last was got  
back & is very now -

Petavia would do very  
well. only it is so extremely  
difficult to get her money  
from people & that  
causes her to work under  
very great disadvantages -  
Mills has two classes

& her sisters from New York - were in Paris  
that was too much for her - Mr. Wood  
& I had a good laugh over it at our  
tea - I must tell you we have a leg  
tea for Miss Burns this evening but her office  
the French play in the Amphitheatre in London  
we asked all our friends to read a  
word - it was a great success people  
read. we had some very excellent music  
for several pieces of songs but her songs  
I think were best in I think to know  
said all expenses - but poor Mrs



every cheer that went up for her  
every clap made me think of you—  
there was great excitement for  
she is very popular in the school  
& they all proud of her white  
& there was no believing as all  
felt it was her right—  
Mr. Mathew Chase up & tell us  
directly the judges made their  
decision which was very kind

Dear Dear Mr. Thurst  
Last night I was  
made so happy by my  
getting the Gold medal  
for painting in the  
life class. it is the  
highest honor the  
School can give in  
California, so I am



pleased you may  
believe - I could not  
write to you yesterday  
though we did not  
know she would get  
it, but I said I would  
just wait till the  
Rehearsal president put  
it in her hand -  
One of the young men  
told me that four  
months ago Mr. Nathan  
told the men students

"of the life class, that if they did  
not hurry up a girl would pick  
the bread from them - for so  
far they could not hold a candle  
to Miss Holden" she is the first  
girl who has gotten and what  
good & dear heart friend could she  
have got! but for you - what?  
nothing simply nothing



Did not find her in  
line - I never heard  
it before - but though  
it may seem absurd  
to join these notices  
in the paper are  
an advantage & a  
struggling interest,  
about Quinnes &  
parties & ones they  
are nonsense but  
about work it is  
different - already  
she has got a very

good order - perhaps two - &  
am so grateful to you - dear  
you cannot think -  
we are all so excited - may be  
the only cool one - but certainly  
in all ways we all looked &  
get her there - one - however  
for six months when we had  
no consent of any kind - this



& Anna got up at five o'clock  
 morning & got her a good breakfast  
 & packed her trunk & took the  
 first car I was <sup>going</sup> taking - I mean  
 they did it ~~fast~~ <sup>fast</sup> about for the  
 1st month every day but Sunday -  
 & we have all of it every thing a  
 for her for ages - again & again -  
 & again thank you for all  
 you have done for all of us  
 I am ever affectionately yours Helen

But thought it best  
not to tell any body  
till it was knowned  
from the platform—  
Today such magnificent  
flowers as have  
been sent to her  
by friends who have  
seen it in the  
morning paper.  
I shall send you  
a clipping from some  
of them — but that  
old old hymn



Writing as my  
eyes seem more  
than usually dim  
with love & heart  
aches aff. aty

Yours

W. L. G.

19/11/11

Dear kind & sweet  
Four flowers  
Look so lovely - my  
little drawing room  
so gay & bright  
Thanks (as usual)  
I am —



I have been down  
a couple of times  
to the blacksmith  
hoping to see you  
& see how  
much food Ellis  
treatment is doing  
her - but you are

too busy to do it  
I see from  
though by his  
to say I think  
I met & beautifully  
very little place  
Dr. Carter told  
you're hard



Mrs. Weston / Golden

Dear ~~Mr~~ <sup>My</sup> Heart  
I am rejoiced  
I hear better news  
of you this morning -  
Soon we shall have  
brighter luncheon,  
& when you come



get on the balcony  
in a long chair  
it will prove a  
wonderful tonic -  
I hear you have  
a couple of boxes  
so good success -

There is nothing like them  
for the ill to breathe -  
I was thankful & hear  
about them - God keep

you! Dear, always

Saturday

Wm. D. Golden



Mrs. Weston Holden

Dear beloved Friend

I got your letter some little time ago, but could not answer it as you forgot to enclose your address till I got it from Miss Rogers. I did not like to send or go to the office for it. Now I must begin at once by saying, you need not - must not feel badly at stopping the allowance - You certainly have a right to do with your own, & just think what you have done for us. Tided us over such a dreadful time, put us on our feet - gave us every thing for so many years - the only thing is, how can I ever show or even explain my gratitude & love &



you. The summer is the worst  
time for the girls business. But  
after next month he will be all  
well. St. George sends me his money  
from St. Louis just as he did when  
here & he wrote me that he would  
send me a little increase after  
this month. Eliza is always grand  
& ready & comes to the front. The  
three at home do their best - I  
can manage no less than any body  
on earth (I think) & make a  
comfortable home & good appearance  
where others would only have dirt  
confusion & scrambling. So you  
see we shall come out all right &  
the girls will do better as time  
goes on - so if ever you feel

a bit sadly at the thought that  
you are that little & do as you have  
done - just sit down a moment  
& reflect on what you have done  
for us above, & in ten minutes you  
will jump up as happy as a queen,  
or rather happier than most queens,  
from things. After all it is but a  
childhood's dream that they are to  
be married - but you are - what  
memories of good are yours - what  
acts of kindness I remember in the  
quiet hours - it certainly must  
bring the peace of God which  
passeth understanding -  
Well I must tell you my news - I also  
am a grandmother. May has a little



son - born really a month before it  
was expected! but all right a good  
sized child. According to the father's  
account the handsonest baby in the  
land, he is & he called Charles St George.  
I am very glad of the latter name.  
St George has been such a good &  
sympathizing son & brother. I am glad  
to see it appreciated, & also it will  
give him great pleasure. He will  
feel quite complemented. I have  
not had time to hear from him  
since I wrote him the name -  
I am sure you felt it quite hard  
to leave your little one. But I am  
so busy for those at home, & so  
absorbed in their interests & helping  
out in every way I can, I hardly

reading "In Lascary" by Montgomery  
Lamichael - Mr. Clark's brother & friend  
it is delightful. Also "Waves of my life"  
which speaks so much of Italy in  
delicious form - I have Taine &  
Lymonds have given me such  
pictures of it I fairly dream of  
Italy & peace together. The girls  
say I shall see it some day -  
but I fear I have my doubts on  
that subject - I can however have  
the pleasure of revisiting with you  
& can fancy you also visiting old  
French Chateaux & English Cathedrals  
& old fashioned places, how lovely putting  
about, & forget all your bother over  
in New America. God keep you always  
Anant & best - affly & holden



have time I remember that  
there has been an addition to the  
family & chiefly rejoice that Mary  
herself is all well - I wonder  
how Alice is getting on - she is  
such a dear little soul. I wonder  
if she is as gay & attractive as ever  
she would make a dear little  
mother. I do not think I ever met  
any girl, who as one may say, suited  
me better - how I hope your trip  
will do you very good, but I think  
it is too long - I hate to think of you  
so long away from California but  
I can well understand the rest  
of Europe & you - I should fancy  
Italy the most beautiful! I am just



Saturday & it seems more  
honest to work as hard  
as possible at that while  
being paid for - than to  
work at something else  
& receive pay - The girls  
lack just the time for  
dinner & in the evening  
is too tired to have any  
fancy - but she practices  
on the piano & reads nicely  
with reading - she has  
learned to do another look  
but she cannot do that  
kind of work when fatigued  
Sometimes on Sunday she  
does a bit - & I think it  
is necessary -

Thursday

My dear Mr. West

I saw by Sunday's  
paper that you had  
given a musical entertainment  
I was so glad for I guessed  
by that, you were feeling  
quite well & up to the  
mark - & had a large  
reception of meat, carpenter  
joiner, carpenter, house, piano  
& quiet - we all said  
how they all right, &  
would have sat down on  
the moment & say how



pleased I was but just  
then I had a change  
of cook boys & his. When  
they come they cannot  
even speak. It keeps me  
on the go you may better  
believe, Also during this  
unrestful time I had  
a messmaker in for  
three days when the girls  
& I looked like Trojans.  
My sisters sent out all  
their colored dresses a  
little while ago - so when

he got the messmaker in he had  
a wonderful looking & as he  
read in scripture "old things  
become new" - so between us there  
& women there you can fancy  
I had but time to watch & see -  
you will be glad I hear Mary  
is very well again - she had  
supper I hear - looks - looks - looks  
I send you for doctor - but she  
will not - she is so busy now &  
let all the care from the art  
school she was in long ago but



After the Munching winter  
we are meeting with a  
lovely spring. - I sincerely  
trust a picture. - I hope  
the girls may have a  
pleasant summer  
after the sun-like  
months they have passed,  
but the rather hard  
School they have been  
brought up in may be  
good training for  
their future which  
doubtless will but be  
very easy - I intended



Mrs. Hester Holden

I wrote to you - I have  
scribbled a lot - now  
I must go see - but -  
After the flesh pots of  
Egypt - but other pots  
as I hear Potatoes  
in the kitchen already  
lighting the dinner  
fire -

Love, Dear John  
Affly - Hester Holden

Thank U



has agitated - since I  
understand she has gone  
but I am ~~prohibit~~ for sett  
Cass let her hope her  
numerous friends may feel  
settled when she gets out  
May say beighs 25 - they are  
so comfortably settled - housekeeping  
in Los Angeles -

Mrs. Holden

D.S. - I forgot to say  
Billie has been stealing  
your furniture -  
the Gothic Chair. She  
carved. Was so much  
admired at the  
exhibition of the Arts  
& Crafts, that the  
managers of the Acad.  
Pres wrote I ask  
her to lend it I sent



the crowning of the  
Queen - She asked  
Mr. Clark & Wallace  
got it for her -  
The Directors said  
such a clever girl  
should go to the Grand  
Pas - & of course could  
not go alone, so gave  
her tickets & she thus  
escorts - joined a

party for chaperonage &  
read the Merry Times, & so  
much for the Chair -  
Miss Wager always makes very  
remarkable at these affairs,  
but I saw her since - seen  
entertainment for charity  
kick the hats of ten - seen as  
they stood - seen a row -  
it was a sight indeed -



lives about these beautiful  
 Architectures - it makes things  
 more real than books, &  
 exceeds in beauty quite such  
 authorities & assurances as I  
 feel always lack in both  
 All these clever people going  
 round & seeing long things  
 love & text books for <sup>you</sup> ~~you~~  
 happy together always & ~~honestly~~  
 better & ~~honest~~

Cheer bent up in  
his honor. & my hands  
were bent idle - Kahlley  
looked its loveliest.  
The twain in their  
tender green -

Saturday last at a  
concert of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century  
Club. Met Anne  
(see hint) & had a  
long chat with her -



She seemed very elegant  
spirits. But looked so  
very very delicate &  
fragile. it is strange  
she cannot pick up  
more: having as one  
may say: every thing  
on earth under a  
& health; perhaps for  
some coming day do

her. Good! which I do hope  
is the result of the very dear  
friend's - breath - heaps God have  
seen since - your last plane  
at - I am - I fancy the  
temples & palaces of India  
the most wonderful sight.  
Only hope I may get a  
chance to hear from you soon



I hear Mr Sam J. has a  
delightful lecture (it has)  
& Professor Wheeler gave out  
that our son has going  
to make great additions to  
the Amphitheatre. I see the  
facts with regard to add  
to the decorations of the stage,  
you may be sure on second

Thought: the good people  
say: our friend  
is the time I express  
thankfulness to the dear  
God who gives us all -  
Truly, then, it must  
be about the right  
season, I show gratitude  
I am earthly benefactor



& what you have seen  
of me that God only knows  
produces to what you  
have led me over:  
from misery & pain.

The girls are all  
doing nicely & last  
Sunday I had a visit  
from St. George's employer,  
he & his wife have been  
travelling round Southern

California - in a private car  
& have left of late. I have  
for two days. The day he  
spoke of the ferry - made by  
heart - doing for joy & I have  
seen from the Herald. Give  
over since - his wife also  
said - equally since things,  
it was a - pleasant - visit -  
Charter day. I went to Berkeley



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was getting along nicely at the Public school. But just a year ago - a larger boy accidentally pushed him so that he fell and struck his hip on the curb stone - he has since then - had to lie flat on his back - and there is a very bad abscess which discharges constantly.

He was at the hospital for quite a time - but got into an unhappy state of mind - because of the harsh treatment of one of the nurses - so the doctors had his mother take him home for a while - and he is now in the best of spirits and only suffers much pain when his leg is being dressed.

I had a very nice little tree for him at X-mas and I wish you could have seen

now - and wish  
ing you every good  
thing I can  
think of - for  
the New Year  
I am affectionately  
and gratefully  
Yours -  
M.H.

930, T. street  
January 10<sup>th</sup> 1900.  
Dearest friend -

Last evening  
I went up to see Mrs.  
McLaughlin just before  
the time of her starting  
for California - so to give  
her a great many mes-  
sages to take to you.  
And if she remembers  
to give you half - she  
will prove herself to have  
an excellent memory -  
She seemed a very sweet



natured little woman  
and I felt sorry to have  
her go - Mrs. Getzinger  
had gone - and I was  
quite disappointed that  
I had not gone a little  
before - because Mrs. G -  
was to give me a little  
more information - and  
to tell me the Greatest Name -  
which I have never yet  
heard - But - I could un-  
derstand how - in the hurry  
of going - it was unavoid-  
able -

Both Mr. and Mrs.  
Getzinger have been very  
kind and helpful in my  
work and I shall miss  
them - After I left 14 o'clock  
yesterday - I went to see  
our little lame boy -  
and he told me - with

great pleasure - that on  
New Year's day - the lady  
and gentleman - (Mr. and  
Mrs. G) had been to see  
him - and the lady had  
brought him the lovely  
primrose which was bloom-  
ing in the window - and  
the gentleman had given  
him a dollar - And the  
mother seemed as pleased  
with the visit as the child -

This child - Willie Perry -  
is one of the first year's  
children at New Jersey  
Avenue kindergarten -

He was then only three  
years old - I have fol-  
lowed the fortunes of the  
family - and helped  
the mother in many  
ways - And Willie  
who is now eight years



rules are that no one shall see the children unless accompanied by a relative -

So I told Sister Baptista how it was - and that Nellie had been in one of the Kindergartens in my charge, when she was very young - and had afterwards - when the family was in trouble - stayed with me a number of months - that we had become much attached to each other - and as I had not seen her for more than a year - I should consider it a great kindness on her part - if she would set aside the rules - ~~and~~ enough for me to see her for a few minutes

She said if I would wait a short time - she

his enjoyment<sup>2</sup> of it. There were twelve children there -

Mrs. Gelingher was to go - but Mr. G. - not knowing about it made an engagement for the evening - but Mrs. G. - went over in the afternoon and carried him a book - and I went in the evening and carried some children who were in the Kindergarten with Willie - and the tree was pronounced the nicest one they had ever seen -

I don't know whether you would remember about his mother - Mrs. Perry - whom I used to help with her rent - when Willie was with me at N. J. Avenue -

She is a widow with three children and has supported them - by sewing since Willie the youngest was an infant - she was getting along nicely and had the best place to live



that she has had since I have known her - until the accident happened.

That has interfered so much with her sewing that I have helped her the past year -

I feel that if she can hold out a few years longer - Harry the eldest boy - who is twelve - will be a good boy and a support and comfort to her -

I must also tell you something of our dear little Columbus - I began to think I should never get track of her again after all their movings -

But a little before I met I dropped every thing else until I found her -

The old grandmother had died - and the mother

had gone from the Portland where I had last known of her - to the Regent Hotel -

She is a chamber-maid - and has ten dollars a month - and her board and room - as that would not pay for having her children cared for - she put them in St. Vincents Orphan Asylum - she has to find their clothes and is supposed to pay a small sum each month toward their board - which she says she has never yet been able to do -

She told me if I went to the Asylum - and told the sister in charge - that I came from her - and that she was anxious I should see the children - she thought she would break through the rules a little - and let me see them - The



delighted - And said  
"Oh how I wish my young  
lady had come with  
you - Give her my love!"

So please tell Agnes  
that Columbus never forgets  
her -

Nellie told me there was  
to be an entertainment  
at the Asylum on the 28<sup>th</sup>  
and wanted me to go to  
hear her speak her piece -

So I went - I had heard  
that on Xmas morning at  
Church - Nellie had fainted  
and fallen off the bench -  
and I felt anxious to see  
how she was - And when  
the children came marching  
in (there were about a hundred)  
she did look so pale I was  
afraid she was going to be  
ill - but after they began their

would see <sup>3</sup> if it were pos-  
sible - and of course I  
waited

I could look out into  
the hall - and I kept  
waiting for the little  
dancing figure. I remem-  
bered so well - it seemed  
to me she never walked  
but always danced along  
in the lightest manner -

After a half-hour's  
wait - I heard slow foot-  
steps - and saw a small  
figure coming toward  
me in the most demure  
and staid manner -  
but when she had nearly  
reached me - she threw  
out her arms and  
her face broke ~~out~~ into  
a smile - and we had  
a good hug - She was  
not looking well - had



color - The pretty pink colouring she used to have - and her flesh had that look of putty - which I notice in nearly all the children of institutions - I suppose it comes from lack of exercise in the open air and from not - having the proper food for a child -

She said she had wondered if I would come to see them - and that she had dreamed about me just - night - before last -

She dreamed she had gone to see me - and that she stayed ~~and~~ <sup>there</sup> and didn't come back to "Sylum" any more -

Then she gave quite an uneasy look toward the door - as if fearing she might be heard -

We had about - fifteen minutes together and then

her sister - Loretto came to say it - was time for Nellie to come up stairs - and I left -

A few days after - the mother was to get them some dresses and she sent me word that if I would like to see them again - to meet her at the Palais Royal - and Mrs. Gelsing who had been quite anxious to see her - went - with me - and we had a nice little visit - with the children there - and Mrs. G won the hearts of both children -

I got some white aprons for Nellie as dear Agnes Lane asked me to - and when I told Nellie they were a present - from her young lady - she was



Mrs G. and a lady she brought with her polished the apples to that degree - that they were called the handsomest apples ever seen -

I was so distressed to hear you were ill - that I kept back a long and I feared a tiresome letter - for I thought the more rest you could get - the better it would be for you -

But - I fear I have spoiled any good record in that direction - by this lengthy affair -

I hope you received mine acknowledging the cheque in November - I am going to tell you the next time I write - just what I have done with it -

But - I must relieve you

singing - She brightened up and kept making little motions with her hand to show me that she saw me -

They sang a song of greeting - And then a Christmas song - "Glory to God in the highest - Peace on earth - Good will to man"

As Columbus was one of the smallest - she stood well in front - so I could watch all her motions and I saw she was forgetting all disagreeable experiences and entering into the spirit of the thing - and she began to look quite like herself -

And after the English words they took up the Latin - And the dear little soul threw her small head back in the same way she used to at Kindergarten and sang the Gloria in Excelsis



in a triumphant voice -  
I don't suppose she knew a  
word of its meaning - but  
words were of no account  
with her - English or Latin -  
it was all one to Columbus -

She entered into the spirit  
of the music - and of all  
that Christmas means to her -  
and she was happy - and  
I felt better about her because  
I saw it had been a happy  
home to her - After the

exercise - the children were  
allowed to speak to their  
friends - and she pushed  
to me as soon as the last  
word had been said -

I had a small parcel for  
her and one for Loretto - who  
looks worse in health than  
Nellie - I was so glad I  
had gone - for I was the  
only friend they had among  
the audience - Their mother  
not being able to get away  
from the hotel - They both

asked why the lady (Mrs Gelsinger)  
did not come - and they  
were much pleased when I  
told them she sent the paper  
dolls in the parcel and the  
little book - I shall go to  
see them again on Sunday -  
for I see that it means a great  
deal to them - and I mean  
to try to get into the good  
graces of Sister Baptista and  
perhaps she will let them  
spend a day with me -

I was going to tell  
you what a nice Thanks-  
giving I had - but - dear  
me - I fear I have worn  
you out - now - however  
I will tell you that Mrs  
Gelsinger came over and  
helped me get ready -  
five baskets - which were  
very pretty to look at -  
a nice turkey in each  
one and cranberries and  
sugar - and celery - and



Something told me to go - and to my surprise - Kahn came to ask my name and gave me this letter -

I hurried home to read it and it seemed almost as if it belonged to you more than to me -

I understand and believe every word about you -

I had asked him for spiritual help - telling him that I had no material needs as they were all supplied through your great kindness -

So I understand when he tells me how to show my

930 T. St.,  
February 3<sup>d</sup> 1903.

My very dear friend

It is just one month to-day since I had the pleasure of those few hours with you at the Willard -

I have thought of you many times and wondered if you left New York the next



Wednesday as you thought  
and if Miss Anne was  
well enough to go with  
you - I have started  
two evenings to go to  
Mr. Kooris to ask about  
it - but both times the  
rain has prevented me

I should not  
write to you quite so  
soon for I think of you  
always as being "snowed  
under" the piles of letters  
you have every week  
but - I want to enclose  
the one I had from Aeca  
in answer to the letter

I sent through Mrs. Cropper  
I think in October - and  
which I did not expect  
to hear from for many  
months to come -

I have not been going  
very regularly to the  
meetings for it is pretty  
late when I get home -  
and besides - after you  
told me about Mrs. G -  
I had been wondering  
if there was one among  
them whom I could  
entirely trust - so I  
have stayed at home  
and read my tablets  
But last Friday night



You can show her the  
Tablet if you wish -  
As I said before - it  
seems more yours  
than mine - They  
are such wonderful  
assurances and promises.  
And I feel are all true.

And with every good  
wish for yourself, I am  
yours - with abiding  
Love - M. H.

Did you ever get the  
little parcel sent at  
Christmas? if you did  
not - let me know and  
I will send the first tag the

the woman makes

gratitude - But when  
he says - "Let thy days  
pass in beseeching - sup-  
plicating & communing  
with God -" I don't quite  
know how to take it -  
because there seems so  
much to be done in  
the world that I have  
felt that we prayed  
best through our work -  
I shall have to get you  
to teach me the meaning  
of that part - Meantime  
to show my gratitude  
I can "appreciate thy  
value and beseech God  
to protect thee - preserve



thee and enable thee  
to attain to the Greatest  
Gift - in the Kingdom of  
God" -

You need not  
return the letter as I  
copied it & have it  
also in the original  
Persian -

We have had very  
comfortable weather  
the past month and  
now the coal troubles  
seem to be coming  
to an end - I have  
found so much comfort  
in keeping to the

sunny part of the  
house and using  
the two stoves that  
I shall not attempt  
to run the furnace  
this season -

Please give love to  
Miss Anne for me  
and offer her my sin-  
cere congratulations -

I thought of writing  
them to her but I re-  
member she is not  
well and will have  
many letters -

My best wishes also  
to Mrs. Cropper - and



What wonderful luck  
I was born to: I am  
afraid I take more than  
I ought to -

I know how busy you  
are - so I will not write  
much - I hope you keep  
well - Please remem-  
ber me to all my  
friends - especially to  
Mr. Millicent - who - I hope  
is quite well again -

I shall make sea-voyages  
and drink tea with you  
in Japan - in the months  
to come & I shall pray that

Mary Hooper

you may have a good  
rest - and shall be  
as ever - affectionately  
& gratefully  
yours  
Mary Hooper

Washington

930. T. Street

October 1<sup>st</sup> 1903

Dear Mrs. Hearst -

I reached  
home last evening -  
after a safe and com-  
fortable journey  
Left - Mrs. Heron and  
Louise at Chicago -

If ever the trip seem-  
ed a little tiresome



I took from my bag -  
the note you sent  
me the morning I  
left. - and I was no  
longer tired -

When I saw you -  
an hour after I read  
the note - I did  
not say much about  
it - because words  
always seem to fail  
me when I want  
them most - but  
I was deeply touched  
by it and I shall

treasure it - the rest  
of my life -

I enjoyed every minute  
of my four months  
stay - and when the  
winter brings days  
of storm and darkness  
I shall bring out  
bits of the stay in  
California - and so  
have sunshine and  
flowers and the  
most-perfect summer  
days in place of the  
bleak days of winter



Mary Hooper  
congratulations on  
birth of George

930 T. St  
April 26<sup>th</sup> 1904

Dearest. Mothers -

Just a  
line of Congratulation  
upon the arrival of  
His Majesty - King Baby

I have called down  
upon his head - his dear  
little head - every blessing  
I can think of - and I  
am counting the hours.



before I can go to see him

I feel it a beautiful thing that he finds so much love awaiting him?

I feel as if you would be coming soon now -

I had quite a little visit with his Mother on Friday - and I do love her - she is such a kind sweet-natured little woman - I am sure she will be a great comfort to you

I trust you have

not been working too hard over books and things - tho much I fear one that you have -

I have such a strong desire to do something for this Baby - if you ever think of any thing do let me know - If I could show my gratitude to you by doing something for him it would be the dearest wish of my heart -

I'm the hope of seeing you before long - I am  
most affectionately yours  
A. H.



to think of your changing  
any thing for his accom-  
modation -

If you did not destroy  
his letter I wish you would  
send it to me - as I  
shall write him concern-  
ing it - later -

And now my dear  
Mistress - let me thank  
you for your kind  
thought of my winter's  
comfort - You are  
truly what I have so  
often called you -  
An Overshadowing Provi-  
dence to such numbers  
of people - But if

I am most  
affectionately yours  
Mary Hooper

September 4<sup>th</sup> 1904

My dear Friend -

Your letter  
of August 7<sup>th</sup> reached  
me a few days ago -  
and I was so glad  
to know you <sup>was</sup> paying  
a little attention to  
yourself in the way  
of baths and earlier



hours of going to bed -  
for-remembering last  
summer I am sure  
you were greatly in  
need of the latter - es-  
pecially -

I have waited a few  
days in answering -  
because of the great  
surprise (not-to say  
shock) it was to me  
to hear of Dr. Woodward's  
letter to you -

I knew they would pre-  
fer to stay there as they  
had pleasant and conve-  
nient-rooms at-a very  
reasonable price and

The quiet-and privacy  
that is hard to find  
when one is renting a few  
rooms - But that he would  
have the assurance to do  
anything of that kind  
I could not have believed.

What he meant-by  
saying that I had spoken  
of your changing your  
mind - I do not know  
for I said distinctly -  
that if I had had my  
way - you would have  
dropped some of your  
heavy burdens three or  
four years ago - and  
he must have had a  
colossal amount of Conceit



amply provided for &  
only need to know that  
you are getting a little  
rest - I am paying  
a little visit just now  
to a friend - but re-  
turn to Marblehead  
to-morrow -

I hope for your sake  
that you be able to  
remain in your rest-  
ful surroundings thro'  
the winter and not have  
to make the voyage  
across this fall -

Thanking you again for  
your kind and generous  
thought toward me -

any one ever had the  
path of Duty laid out  
plainly - for them to  
walk in - I have mine -  
And that is to stay  
in Marblehead and  
look out - for my  
Aunts comfort - and  
pleasure - as far as she  
can have pleasure -

When she was very ill  
in April a woman came  
to take care of her and  
has stayed on - While  
she was good as a nurse  
she is not what my  
Aunts needs now - from



Taking entire charge  
at first - and considering  
herself the head she has  
come to look upon herself  
in that light - now that  
there is no occasion for  
it - until my Aunt feels  
as if she had no home  
of her own any longer:  
and I am going to stay  
and have the woman  
go - And I am sure  
it will be a satisfaction  
all around -

So now - my dear friend  
don't you give it another  
thought - I shall be per-

fectly comfortable and  
happy in the thought that  
I can show my gratitude  
for what my Aunt did  
for me when I was  
young - by doing all  
I can for her now that  
she needs it - - She  
was a mother to me in  
many ways and now  
I will be mother to her

There is really no  
way for any one to  
spend money in the  
little old town - I have  
the gowns of beautiful  
texture to last me for  
years - so you see I am



out of my trunk - But I  
don't really need them to re-  
mind me of my wonderful  
mistress - My good overshadowing  
Providence - I wish I could  
see the way to show my ap-  
preciation of such great kindness  
but I don't see as yet -

I have taken a room for  
a month with Mrs. Green -  
mother of the Miss Green who  
taught our poor children  
down in So Washington - for four  
years - They have not much  
means and have bought a small  
house which I imagine is not  
entirely paid for - so it will be  
something to them to have our  
room pay something - I think  
well of them - I have just  
been to the Bank and got the  
generous cheque you sent me

Cashed - and I had  
almost a guilty feeling  
over it - As if knowing  
the multitude of things  
and of people you have  
on your hands and  
mind and heart -  
I ought not  
to let you  
do it -  
Take a heart  
full of love  
& gratitude  
for it all  
and that  
God may  
bless and  
keep you -  
is always  
the prayer  
of your  
devoted  
servant  
M. H.

Washington April 20<sup>th</sup> 1905  
My very dear friend -  
I reached  
Washington yesterday - after  
the bare and brown trees of  
Massachusetts - the trees and  
parks here seem to me more  
beautiful than ever -

I think of you many times  
every day and wonder  
whether you are <sup>in</sup> Italy or have  
come as far as Paris on  
your homeward way -  
And I send all kinds of



wireless messages to you -  
wherever you are - wishing  
you the best of health and  
a good rest and everything  
else that I think of you as  
needing

I left my Aunt feeling better  
than she had for some time  
and I think a stranger is  
quite as good for her now  
as I am - especially one who  
is stronger in body -

I stopped at Tufts College  
three weeks and enjoyed  
it very much - My brother  
~~has been~~ professor of Electrical Engineering  
at the College for twenty years -  
and two months ago they gave  
him leave of absence for the  
rest of the year to go on some  
explor. work - to the West - and  
to Mexico - and perhaps to

Europe - So he was not at home  
while I was there - he was at  
Butte when he last wrote and  
from there was going to California  
and I know he will enjoy every  
minute there - I was glad to be  
with the five children - for they  
had almost grown one of my  
recollection in the four years that  
I had not seen them -

I had rather a tiresome  
trip from Boston - took the  
Fall River boat to New York  
and it was quite rough -

As soon as I get a little  
rested I am going to see  
Mr. Hoor - and I may  
get news of you - it seems  
a long time since I saw  
you - I have two pictures  
of you in the room - They  
were the first things I took



They are to be trusted in every way - A few days ago - in speaking of you - I said I felt - as if you were my nearest of kin - so they said you must be akin to them and I don't believe we have a meal any day without mentioning you - and we take the liveliest interest in everything going on in Paris - on your account -

I am perfectly at home with them, so I thought I would stay on for a time - Every time I mention going - they say - "you have been fifteen years getting here & you must stay on for some weeks longer" - My brother seems very anxious for me to be there but his wife is such a bunch of nervous nerves and takes house-keeping in such a hard and uncomfortable way that I am in constant terror of doing something out of the way - so it is not really restful - The New England housekeeper - when she is on the

I have thought as often of dear little George Randolph - Did you see him in the summer?

If you should write to me here - please put in care of Chas. M. Gay -

Peterham - Mass.  
January 5<sup>th</sup> 1906.

My dear Mother -

I wrote to you yesterday - and just as I was putting it in the envelope your most-welcome letter came - but I can't wait even a day - to send you another to tell you that if anything could have strengthened the tie by which I was bound to you - it would have been that letter - Your dear gracious soul! You can confer favors upon people and make them feel - almost - as if they



were confering instead of re-  
ceiving them - If there is any  
other woman living who can  
do it to such a degree -

I don't know who it is -

I have been wondering how all  
the letters I wrote last summer  
could have missed you - I sent  
four, while I was at Washington.

I knew how many you were  
likely to have after your absence  
and that you were having a  
serious time with your eyes - and  
I felt very anxious about you -

In August I wrote to Miss Egan -  
the letter found her at Wynton.  
and in her answer she told  
me how full your time had been  
and in conclusion said - "If  
Mrs. Hearst knew I was writing - I  
am sure she would send her love  
but she is resting and cannot be  
disturbed" So I felt that the  
kindest thing I could do was

to keep back and give you all  
the rest possible and it never  
occurred to me that you could  
have missed my letters - or  
that you would not know my  
address at any time -

If I had been sure you would stop  
in Washington on your way to  
Paris - I should have stayed to  
see you if only for a few minutes.  
But I thought you would probably  
go on without stopping -

I went from Washington to my  
brother's at Tufts College - as he  
seemed quite anxious that I should  
do so - said he thought they needed  
a person of "my temperament" in the  
family - so I have been there until  
I came here the week before X-mas

Since then I have been with my  
<sup>old</sup> friends Mr. & Mrs. Gay - she was a fellow  
worker with me in the slums of Boston -  
they both have great faith in me  
as I have in them - so we are  
having a nice time together - the  
first after fifteen years of separation



volume on Friendship that I have ever read - and now I say to myself - What can I do - on my side of the contract - There seems not a single thing now - but if you ever think of any thing - do let me know -

I think I will get this letter registered - so to feel more sure of it - We are quite a little way from the village - so I will keep it back till some one goes to the office -

It takes to you all good wishes for the year - and a full heart's gratitude for your wishes for my welfare -

Affectionately yours

Mary Hooper

sharp order - is about the Sharpest thing on earth - and ev - altho I should like to respond to my brother's wishes and be there most of the time - I feel that rather long visits to my old friends are good for me and also for her -

But with your great kindness and generosity I can go or stay - just as I feel like doing and I did want to make the children fond of me - I could teach them some things that they very much need to learn if their mother would let me - still we can't teach people things that they don't want to be taught -

Some day I am going to write you concerning the man who wrote you such



an extraordinary letter. proposing to take charge of my affairs and to have me keep a house in Washington (for his accommodation) but I will keep that for another time as it is a long story -

Now I will go back to your letter - which I have read over and over - and still cannot do justice to - in speaking of it - No words come to me that seem quite adequate to express my thanks for all the kind thoughts expressed in that letter - so I have to fall back upon the common - every-day expression - I thank you -

And it seems so strange that all the summer should have gone without giving you one of the messages of love

and sympathy I sent - - But I was only waiting to know that you were quite well again - to begin my letters once more - and I never thought of such a thing as clipping out and giving up my letters to you - for good - Oh no - I could not - have done it - if I had tried - and I am of too adhesive a nature to try that kind of thing - But it has been the means of your putting into words - the dearest & best - setting forth of a real - true friendship that I have ever known - and when I read at the close - "Your friend that you cannot get away from" it seemed to express more than any



5-133 West-50-  
Oakland-

28/VI/09.

Oakland June 16<sup>th</sup>

Dear Friend -

I arrived  
safely last evening -  
Mr. Berens came with  
me all the way - said  
he had wanted to come  
around by this route  
for some time - Wasn't  
at-kind of him!

I am to go to the doctor's  
this afternoon at two o'clock -  
and will write you about  
it later -

My trunk has not  
come yet - so I use this



Miss Gemley leaves  
for Yosemite on  
Monday. To be  
absent ten days  
or two weeks.  
She goes with  
friends.

I hope she (Miss  
Hooper) will be  
greatly benefitted  
by the Dr. treatment.  
And if she has  
a good room  
and fire.

Send a nice  
little letter to  
Miss Hooper.  
Tell her of  
the children.  
I miss her, and  
I feel sure they  
do. Weather  
lovely now.

Tell her of Robert's  
death and funeral.  
Something of my  
guests. Mrs R. A. Clapp  
& Miss Wheeler here  
over Sunday.

rather poor paper -

The little new baby  
at my cousin's is a dear -  
weighs eight pounds and  
is fat and round and  
so good - she sleeps nearly all  
the time - But how I shall  
miss Brother William - "His  
sweet smile haunts me still" -

I send much love to him  
and to George -

I felt that you must be very  
tired yesterday. I hope you  
are rested to-day and feeling  
well - Take a great deal  
of love for yourself from

Yours affectionately

M. H.

Remember me to all



9/2/10.

Sunday evening  
March 6<sup>th</sup>

Dear Mrs. Hewitt-

I was so  
glad to see Eleanor last  
evening and to hear from  
her that you and the  
children were well.

I also heard from you  
and George on Friday thro  
Dr. Vandenberg -

I send you this scarf for  
the Hall table - I couldn't  
match the worsted I began  
with, so finished it up with  
odds and ends that I had



it - is not - what - you could  
call pretty - but will keep  
the ladies warm when they  
go through the corridor and  
the March winds blow -

With love to all -

Yours affectionately  
M. H.

~~Thank you  
so for  
the shawl.  
It is very  
useful and I  
think it pretty.  
I appreciate  
it being her  
work.  
I hope she is  
well.~~



Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings and she has just been ~~coaching~~ coaching some of the knights and ladies of the Maccabees for a dramatic performance - it came off last Saturday night and the Examiners spoke very well of it.

She is about the size and something of the style of Louise Heron.

We have had very nice weather the last three days - before that it was raining.

I go to <sup>the</sup> little Park near here when it is pleasant and I quite miss it when I cannot get there -

I hope the little lads keep well. I send love to them as to you and kind remembrances to all my friends at the Hacienda.  
Affectionately and Gratefully  
Yours M. H.

Said a very  
nice note  
to Miss Hooper.  
Glad she is so  
comfortable. etc.

Ans. 18/10/10.

25-14 Pine Street  
April 14<sup>th</sup>

Dear - kind friend.

I was beginning to write to you on Tuesday. When Edward came with news of you - and bringing the box with the lovely suit -

I was tempted to go over to the Fairmont to get a glimpse of you and carry my thanks instead



of writing - but I remembered  
the many things you have  
to do when you come down  
and <sup>thought</sup> I might get there just  
as you were trying to rest -  
So I gave it up -

But please take my  
sincere thanks - the suit  
is almost too pretty for  
me - but I'll do my best  
to come up to it - it is so  
bad to be of such dwarfish  
proportions that you have to  
<sup>have</sup> things a little smaller -

but there is a woman  
near here who does things  
of that kind very well they  
say and I am going to her  
to day -

It that trouble with  
my ears and head had

not made me so stupid  
in the way of writing -  
I should like to write  
you a description of "Nyren  
Academy" where I am  
staying - I am sure the  
same things that appeal to  
me would appeal to you  
in much the same way -

Perhaps the Academic  
atmosphere will affect  
me after a time - so that  
I shall do better in the  
way of letter writing - I shall  
try to absorb all I can in  
that direction -

Poor little Miss Peters tries to  
do things in so many direc-  
tions that I am afraid she  
will wear herself out -  
She has dancing classes on



Ans. 23/70/10.

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2514 Pine Street  
June 14<sup>th</sup>

Dear - kind friend -

When I  
came in from a walk  
yesterday I found the box  
from you containing the  
nice bundle - please  
find my thanks enclosed

I saw Alice Rice  
a day or two ago and



She gave me good news  
of you - I was so glad  
to hear that you were  
over the little sick  
spell of the week before -  
so that you could be at  
the Greek Theatre for  
that unusual performance

I know you must have  
enjoyed it -

I have just had a  
picture post-card from  
Janet Peck and she  
speaks of seeing dear  
Little George and says  
he gave her all the  
Hacienda news -

I had been dreaming of

him the night before and  
it seemed almost as if I  
had seen him -

How you must miss  
him -

This school closes on Friday  
and I shall feel  
quite lost without the  
children - Mrs. Lummis

came up to see me for  
a few minutes this morning

She told me she showed  
Cork for Inbesa the last  
of the week -

With love and thanks  
I am always affectionately  
Yours -  
M.H.



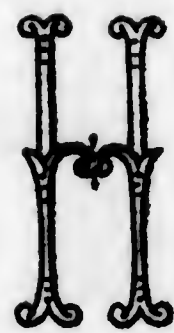
Pleasant ~~like~~ a little warmer  
than in San Francisco - still  
it has been very comfortable  
all the summer - if it was  
a bit cool in the mornings - I  
had a little blaze in my fire  
place and was all right -

And Miss Peters is such an  
amiable and kind hearted  
young woman it is pleasant  
to be with her - She tells  
me I have been a great help  
to her in the kindergarten  
work - so you see it is a  
mutual thing -

I send best wishes  
to all at the Hacienda -  
and a great deal of love  
to you and am as ever

Gratefully yours  
Mary Hooper

Ans. 6/IX/10.



Mountain View  
September 1<sup>st</sup> 1910

My dear friend -

I was  
so pleased to hear good news  
of your last week - that  
you were back from the  
Mountains - after a pleasant  
stay - and that you  
were looking and feeling  
very well - I felt like  
going over to the Fairmont  
or at least sending you  
by telephone a message  
of greeting - But I remem-  
bered how much there  
would be on your hands



after those weeks of absence - so I stood back -

I am - as you see - at the Sanborn Ranch - Mrs. Sanborn having sent me an invitation to come down for a while and I find it a very pleasant old place -

Mr. Sanborn has gone East - to be gone for some weeks - the family consists of Mrs. S. - Orrin and Susan -

Mr. & Mrs. Macdonald were here when I came on Monday but went home the next morning - they both seemed very well -

Mrs. Sanborn has gone

to the city this morning to attend a meeting at the Orphan Asylum - So I have been in the garden visiting with Susan - who was quite sociable on the subject of gardening when she found that I knew a little about plants

I think of you as still surrounded by workmen for I know how much longer it takes in building than it seems at first - and I can imagine it all very beautiful

I hope you have good news of the children - I was so glad to see John when he was at the Fairmont - he looked so well - it was good for any one just to look at him -

The weather here seems very



affectionately yours  
Mary Hooper

Mrs. 4/X/10.

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San Francisco Sept. 28

My dear Friend

I send  
you a line to say that  
I have just returned  
to 25-14 Pine street after  
a very enjoyable visit  
of four weeks at the  
Sanborn Ranch -

Mrs. Sanborn came up  
with me as it is her  
Club day - she has been  
a very busy person the  
last few weeks - as she



Always is - and the great amount of fruit she put up - as well as vegetables seemed enough to supply a hotel -

I confined my labors to the prune crop - which though not very large - was fine in quality -

I stayed out of doors most of the time - as the weather was fine all the four weeks of my stay -

Susan and I went to a five o'clock tea yesterday - we were invited by their near neighbor Miss Callahan Mrs Sanborn was so busy canning tomatoes - she

could not spare the time so we two dressed up in our best - and you should have seen us -

I am five inches taller than Susan - but I tried not to put on any airs on account of it -

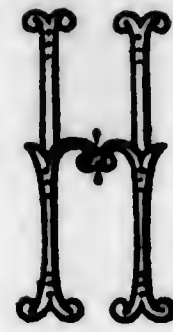
Found everything going on as usual when I got here this morning - except that Miss Peters was in bed with a bad headache - she thinks she can get up this afternoon and go to the doctor for some medicine.

I thought I would go to Dr. Vandenburg once a week for a time as a preparation for the cooler weather that will soon be coming -

I hope you keep well - and with much love I am



Thanks  
Mrs. Thompson



2514 Pine Street  
December 22<sup>nd</sup> 1910

Dearest Friend

yesterday  
came the the parcel by  
express - containing the  
dress. pattern. the beautiful  
brocaded silk - and the  
dainty longnette -

I felt like writing  
a line of thanks then -  
but - I could not think  
of any words to quite  
do them <sup>the gifts</sup> justice - and



so did not do it -

To day comes the box with the two beautiful ornaments - so I shall have to wait a few days to find words to do them any thing like justice

I want to send you something - but I can't find any thing that seems worthy -

My thoughts go back to the three wise men who on the first birthday traveled far - with gifts of Gold - Frankincense and myrrh - and I find myself wanting something on that order to send to you - because you -

like Him - give yourself up to doing good to others -

Perhaps a miracle may be wrought for me - as I want it so much - and I shall come upon the "Frankincense and Myrrh"

I remember how hard you worked at this time last year and I do hope you <sup>are</sup> taking it a little easier -

I shall write you again soon - meantime I am gratefully and affectionately

Yours -

Mary Hooper



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25-14 Pine Street  
Tuesday Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>

Dear Mr. Hearst—

Ans. 19<sup>th</sup> / 11.

I have  
just received your letter—  
And I thank you very  
much for the kind and  
cordial invitation to go to  
the Hacienda on Friday—  
the 17<sup>th</sup>—but I feel as if I  
must not accept it without  
telling you that I have been  
quite in the middle of some  
children who have whooping



cough and if those three boys should come down with it - I should never forgive myself -

Please send me a line to tell me if you think it would be all right to come as if you would rather I should put it off for a little time -

I wrote you yesterday so will not write more this evening - I hope

the Valentine reached you to day - For so many years I had fifty or more children to help send some of their work as a valentine - that when the day comes around I have to keep it up -

Affectionately yours  
Mary Hooper



every way - thanks to ~~you~~  
my good overshadowing Providence

I enclose a clipping from  
a Washington paper - as I  
think you must <sup>have</sup> known Miss  
Desha - she was so active in  
all those societies -

Hoping this will  
find you and all at  
the Hacienda well - I am  
affectionately and gratefully  
Yours

Mary Hooper

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Ans. 19<sup>th</sup> //

2514 Pine Street

Dear, kind friend -

When I heard  
of you last - you were having  
a cold - I hope it has  
entirely left you - altho  
the rainy weather has been  
rather unfavorable -

I think of you very  
often and feel like writing  
you a line - but then  
I remember the big piles  
of letters that come to you  
every day and take so



much of your time and strength - and I step back and wait for some excuse.

To day I have it. ~~as it~~.

As it is the good St. Valentine's day. I send my greetings by this young person whose chief recommendation seems to be her wearing of "My Lady's colors"

I hope the three little boys keep well - I like to think of them at that ideal place for children.

The Hacienda - for there is much illness among the children here - Whooping cough being quite severe

Give my love to George. I am reminded of him

constantly - by the sight of a little memorandum book he bought as a present to me - one day that he was shopping in Pleasanton - I should have written to him - if I had not remembered the exactions of his family in that direction.

Is John Randolph as strenuous as ever - What did his parents say when they first saw him? We have a dear little John in the Kindergarten he has whooping cough badly just now -

I find my open grate a most comfortable thing this rainy weather - but when the sun shines I get the benefit of it all day -

And Miss Peters is as pleasant and amiable as ever - so that I am very comfortable in



every thing will go very  
well with you -

I send love to the  
beautiful and wonderful  
Hacienda as I do to its  
wonderful Mistress and  
am always affectionately  
and gratefully yours -

Mary Hooper

~~I send a very  
nice letter to  
Miss Hooper.  
I see her  
again. with  
her a very  
pleasant talk  
each and  
travelling summer  
with her friends  
and in their own  
native place.~~

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2514 Pine St.  
Thursday evening

Dearest Friend -

I send  
this line to tell you I  
had a pleasant and comfortable  
little trip to the city - it being  
a cool day the cars were  
not heated to the degree  
they are "wont to be heated"  
and Edward was very  
attentive

Last evening came



the box with the elegant  
bonnet - which fits on  
my head nicely - something  
that most bonnets do not -

I thank you very much  
and I shall try to get my  
self up to it as much as  
I can - and according to  
the scales here I gained two  
pounds while I was at  
the Hacienda -

I suppose you will  
start for the east before  
many days and I hope  
you will have a pleasant  
trip - Kiss the three dear,  
delightful children for me  
when you see them -  
I am so glad they are

to come back with you -

I always have the feeling  
that they are defrauded  
of what rightfully belongs  
to them when they are  
taken from that Children's  
Paradise and dragged  
over the country - and  
when I hear so many  
persons speak of them as  
three of the most lovable  
and engaging children  
they have ever known -

I realize that it comes  
of your regime - and  
certainly not that of the  
other side -

I shall follow you -  
in my thoughts - across  
the country and hope



the Hacienda. I do hope they are  
out of the heat of New York.

On the table before me is the  
picture of you - holding little  
John - it is a wonderfully good  
picture and I am so glad I have  
it - for I shall miss the sight  
of your inspiring face more  
than any thing else that I  
left in California -

I very carelessly took  
this mutilated sheet of paper  
so you will please excuse  
me - With love to  
'Hacienda the Beautiful'  
and belonging to it - I am  
yours gratefully and affectionately  
Mary Hooper

May 30<sup>th</sup>

Ans. 28/7/11

Marblehead  
Mass.

43 Sewall St.

Dearest and kindest of friends -

I hope  
this will reach the Hacienda  
to greet you on your return -  
and I think it will - as you  
thought to be back there early  
in June -

And I hope you  
have had pleasant journeys  
both ways - Mr. Clark had  
arranged every thing in  
the most comfortable way  
for me - and when I  
reached Chicago and found



Mrs. Philip Young (Ella Bender) had the next-section to mine on the train - I felt that I was very lucky - she was very kind - and as we did not get to Boston until nine o'clock - too late for the Marblehead train - she gave me a most cordial invitation to go to her home for the night - but as she had been away for some weeks - I thought it better for me to go to a little hotel just across the way and take an early start in the morning for my old town - which I did and found my friend looking for me - and ready to give me a most-

Cordial welcome -

Her mother has died since I saw her so she has been living alone most of the time and I think she enjoys having some one with her -

I think her quite an unusual woman - she has more of your qualities than almost any one I know -

I was a little tired after my journey but am quite rested now and the weather is cool and comfortable - but in Chicago it was very hot -

I am wondering if the three dear little boys are back at



Find me if you should  
get time to send me a card

I have just had a visit  
of a few days from Priscilla Page -  
the oldest of Harvey Page's children -  
she was five years old when I  
went into the family and was  
with them nearly five years - so  
the children seem very near to  
me -

After the father left his  
family. Priscilla studied for a  
nurse and has been quite a  
success - She was staying with  
a lady at Newport and being  
so near me came to see me and  
was quite delighted with this old  
town I used to tell her about when  
she was a child -

Dear, faithful friend -  
I think of you so often - and  
always with a grateful feeling  
that I have such a memory -

I hope this will find you

as well as you -  
looked in my dream -  
and with much  
love to you and  
the Hacienda -

I am affectionately  
Yours

Mary Hooper

43 Sewall St.

September 12<sup>th</sup>

My dear friend -

I was  
dreaming of you and the  
three dear little boys  
last night - and the  
dream was so vivid that

I almost feel as if I had  
a visit with you and

I cannot resist the temp-  
tation to write you a few  
words - altho I do not forget  
the bulky pile of letters

Ans. 6/8/11.



that you are confronted with daily - and which makes me feel generally - that the greatest thing I can do for you is not to add to the pile -

I hope you have kept well through the summer and have been able to rest a little more than you have of late - and that the boys have been in their Hacienda state of health with none of the New York disabilities -

We had rather warm weather here early in the summer but - for the last few weeks it has been very cool and comfortable

and I have enjoyed being out in my friend's little garden - it has no rare flowers but is a real California garden in color with sunflowers and nasturtiums of glowing orange and yellow tints -

My friend Mrs. Gay is depending on my going to Peterham soon - but I am waiting for some of the Cambridge people who stay with her in the summer - to leave - as she will be quite alone and we can see more of each other -

I think by the last of this month they will be gone -

I shall let you know when I go so that you will know where any thing will



deal of room - if they can't  
work off that great amount  
of energy - there is danger  
of an explosion - He is a  
great beauty - you don't often  
see his equal out of a picture -

This is such a fine  
day I feel as if I were in  
California - I hope it will  
stay so through October -

I expect to go to Peterham the  
last of the month and shall  
write you from there -

Much love to you and  
the children and thanking  
you again for your great  
kindness - I am always

Affectionately yours

Mary Hooper

no. ans. Will  
write later. after  
my visits to Peterham.

43 Sewall Street  
October 12<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dearest Friend -

I received  
the card of invitation to the  
Museum on the 3<sup>d</sup> and was  
so pleased to know that it  
was open to the public -

It was lovely of you to think  
of sending it - when you had  
so much on your hands -

I was there in every way  
except in body -

My friend Mrs. Gregory was in-  
vited to a wedding reception



which I figured out - would take place just about the same time - and when she left - she said I am sorry to leave you home alone - but I told her I should not be alone but with a large company at the Art Museum in San Francisco -

I had my own way in every thing - even to the selection of your wearing apparel - and I chose the gown you wore at the Century Hall the evening of that delightful concert by Mr. Reel - so you see I made the most of my invitation -

And now comes your nice long letter of the 6<sup>th</sup>

giving me news of yourself and the children -

I do thank you so much for it -

With all those people from "Europe and the Orient and Philippines" and most other parts of the Earth - I don't know how you get to letters at all -

How I should like to see the three children - I hope their parents will go to see them and save them the journey to New York -

I don't think there is another place on Earth equal to the Hacienda - for children - and it is especially good for John with his strenuous make up - Such children need a great



And I wish I could tell  
you what the thought of  
you does for me - but - I  
couldn't tell you - for words  
fail me -

I hope that you have the  
three little boys with you  
and that you are resting  
a little from the labors  
of the summer -

If you should have  
any pictures of Wyntoon  
I should be so pleased  
if you would send me a  
few - Elisabeth has been so  
delighted with my Hacienda  
pictures and was so interested  
in hearing of Wyntoon - that  
I should like her to see some  
of those wonderful views -

With great love to you and  
the children and kindest  
wishes to all my friends at the  
Hacienda - I am always

gratefully and affectionately

yours -

Mary Hooper

C/o Mr. E. M. Gay

Petersham

Mass.

Petersham - Mass.  
November 8<sup>th</sup> 1911

My very dear friend -

I have  
been thinking of you  
very often of late - but  
thought I would wait un-  
til I got here before writing

It seemed hard to  
get away from Marblehead -  
every time I made a move  
something came up that  
my friend Mrs. Gregory  
wanted me to stay for -

But at last I am here  
at this very old farm



which is unique in its way. My friend Mrs. Gay thinks it is just the place for me because it is ten miles away from cars or any noise - and the quiet is very restful to that troublesome ear of mine which does occasionally tyrannize over me -

Mrs. Gay and I were fellow-teachers in Mrs. Quincy Shaw's work in Boston and we worked together in the most-harmonious way & have kept up our friendship in all the years since -

She has been urging me to come for some weeks - but I thought it would be just as well to wait until she had fewer people

in the house -

We talk a great deal of you and she is always asking me about your different branches of work -

She was saying yesterday that she must get out the beautiful, warm fur robe you sent her two years ago and that has been such a comfort to her in her long drives among her poor people - for the town chose her as one of the overseers of the poor - and it keeps her busy -

So you see your light shines all the way from that far Pacific Coast and cheers and inspires one who works in a smaller way on the same lines -



what the thought of you  
means to me - perhaps  
I may get back again the  
power of expression that I  
seem to have lost. since the  
pain in my head and ears  
came upon me - now I will  
close with sending love and  
best-wishes to you and all  
belonging to you and the  
hope that you are just as  
as well and happy as I saw  
you in my dream

Affectionately and Gratefully  
yours

Mary Hooper

Ans. 9/17/12.

Petersham - Mass  
March 12<sup>th</sup> 1912

My very dear and kind friend

I was dreaming  
of you last night - and this  
morning it seemed as if  
I had really had a little  
visit with you

The beautiful Hacienda  
looked to me - even more  
wonderful than when I saw  
it last - with its wealth of  
roses and every other kind  
of flowers - and best of all  
you were looking so well



I could hardly realize when I woke up - that I had only been there in a dream.

It made me anxious to hear how you have been through the winter - and if the severe weather which has prevailed nearly all over the country - has visited California -

There has been a great deal of snow here - so that I have been in the house most of the time - but we keep comfortable in doors - in the last week we have had two or three very pleasant days which make one think of the Spring that will soon be coming - when it will be a pleasure to be out of doors.

And thanks to your great kindness and generosity - I have

had every comfort that any one could desire -

I thought of you very often during the Christmas holidays - and hoped you had not worked quite so hard as I had known you to - I trust the small parcel I sent - reached you - altho it was of no value except - for the wishes that went with it -

I hope - for their sakes - the three little lads are with you at the Hacienda - for I know how much better it is for them in every way than New-York -

I must not write a long letter for I remember the great number that come to you with every mail -

but if I could - I would tell you in a few words



and ten miles away from  
railroads - So I think about-  
fully I may go to Marblehead  
for a few weeks to see my  
friend - and I want to have  
my beautiful, soft, Christmas  
dress - that you sent me made  
up - and there seems to be no  
dress maker in this village while  
my Marblehead friend has a  
Cousin who is a good dress maker.

I read that you have been  
made 'Honorary President of the  
Woman's Board of the Panama Pacific  
Exposition' - so I will govern myself ac-  
cordingly - and write short letters -

Please remember me to my friends  
at the Hacienda and take to  
yourself great love from

Yours gratefully  
M. H.

Done - (3) 1912

Petucham - Mass.

May 7<sup>th</sup> 1912

Dearest Friend -

After the  
long and cold winter - we are  
having a breath of Spring -  
and I have been trying to find  
some mayflowers to send you -  
But they are very imperfect - the  
green leaves are brown and  
discolored and the buds are  
blighted - they seem only to have  
kept their fragrance - The



Arbutus is to Massachusetts what  
the Poppy is to California -

I am sure those early Pilgrims must  
have greeted it with thanksgiving  
after that first terrible winter -

Mrs. Gay is just packing away  
the beautiful, warm fur robe you  
sent her two years ago - it has  
been such a comfort all the winter

I have been out very  
little through the winter but shall  
stay out now as much as possible

In mind I have been often  
at the Hacienda enjoying all  
the flowers and especially those  
beautiful tulips of the Easter  
decorations a year ago - I have  
never seen those equalled -

I have talked so much of the  
California roses that Mrs. Gay - who  
has always wanted a rose bed -  
has sent away for a dozen  
bushes and wants me to super  
intend the bed - so I hope to  
have success - and I have  
been careful to choose only  
those that will stand the cold -

I have hardly ever seen  
such a genuine flower lover as  
she is - but she is so busy  
all the time - she can not  
do all she would like to in  
that direction -

She will have a number  
of people from Cambridge soon.  
They have been here summers  
for many years - because it  
is in the heart of the woods



from it - and I am glad  
you have Dr. Vandenburg - for  
I have great confidence in him.

We are having very  
warm weather just now and  
my friend Mrs. Gay has quite  
a number of people to stay till  
September - so I am going to  
Marblehead in a few days as  
my friend <sup>there</sup> is alone and  
is looking for me -

I shall send you a line  
when I get there -

I hope the little boys  
are with you - how I should  
like to see them - With love  
to them - and to the Hacienda

I am always  
yours with  
gratitude  
and great  
affection.  
Mary Hooper

Please give  
my love to  
Mrs. Sandborn  
and tell her  
I think of  
her often -  
I wrote to  
her at Easter  
I hope it  
reached  
her

July 4<sup>th</sup> 1912

Dearest Friend -

I can  
not tell you what a pleasure  
and comfort to me your  
letter of May 16<sup>th</sup> was -

To think of you - with  
three or four hundred to be  
in your hands for some days -  
taking time to send me  
a letter of three sheets of  
good size paper - nearly

Wrote her: 19/VIII/12



took my breath away - and the next day came the dear short one - telling me you had received and liked the small bag with the Easter card - I said to myself - was there ever any one else so kind and thoughtful of every body -

Remembering all those beautiful bags of yours - it seemed almost ridiculous for me to send it - but I think it was because of its color -

You know my old town of Marblehead has the name of

being a very patriotic old place and people are in the habit of speaking of the Flag as the "Colors" and they talk of "Loyalty to the Colors" - so I think I have inherited that instinct strongly -

And when some poor little affair comes over to you - you will know that I am not sending it - for any worth of its own - but because of loyalty to "my Lady's Colors" -

I was so sorry to hear of your accident - at the St. Francis I hope you are quite recovered



I shall think of you now  
as established for the winter -  
and hope the children are  
with you - for I know how  
much better it is for them  
in every way to be in that  
delightful spot.

Good bye dear, wonderful  
friend - take as good care  
of yourself as you can - and  
believe me always

Yours Truly

Mary Hooper

Mrs. Gay has just  
unpacked the beautiful  
warm fur robe you  
sent - and remarked  
as she did so - what  
a joy this has been to  
us these three winters

Ans. 21/XI/12.

Harpers  
Seribners  
Century  
all monthly?

Petersham Mass.

November 10<sup>th</sup> 1912

Dearest Friend -

When I  
wrote you last from Marblehead  
I thought - to leave there in  
a few days - but many things  
conspired to keep me -

Just as I was about to  
start - my former pupil -  
Priscilla Page came to see



me and stayed two weeks.

I enjoyed her stay very much. She seems devoted to her profession of nursing - and she looks and seems so well in every way that she is quite inspiring.

We have had such pleasant weather since I came back to the farm that it reminds me of the California days - and I make many trips there and enjoy the beauties of the Hacienda to the utmost -

I got back in time to find a few roses in the bed I started in the Spring and now I have to

do my best in the matter of covering the bushes for the winter - I used to watch the gardeners at the Hacienda when they trimmed them in the autumn - so I feel quite competent in that direction - but just how much to cover them - I don't quite know -

I am wondering if this will find you just as busy as ever - I imagine it will - so I must not take up your time with a long letter but I wanted you to know that I am in my winter quarters - and that my great recreation is in reading the two long and wonderful letters of last May and August -



Petersham, Mass.

December 9<sup>th</sup> 1912

My dear Mr. Anthony -

Your kind  
little note is just received  
and I hasten to say that the  
package may be addressed  
to me - Petersham Mass -  
care of Mr. C. M. Gay -

It was such a pleasure  
to have the pleasant words



from you and it took me  
back - in my mind to the  
last time I saw you - in  
Mrs. Hearte's delightful house  
in Washington - and I was  
so glad when I heard some  
months ago that you were at  
the Hacienda - for I know how  
much you both would enjoy  
it -

What a beautiful and wonder-  
place the Hacienda is - and  
with the most beautiful and  
wonderful part of it all - its  
Mistress ? I think of her every  
day many times - at this season  
as getting ready all those  
parcels that she sends with  
her Christmas greetings and

I only hope she will not  
wear herself entirely out -

I thank you for all the  
good wishes in the note -  
and with all the pleasant  
wishes of the season to  
you - I am (with your permission)

Affectionately yours  
Mary Hooker

Dearest - This has just arrived,  
and I send it at once that  
you may not feel anxious -  
I am going to a musicale at  
Mrs. Hoffa's this A. M. -  
Will write soon -

Yours affly  
Lelona



with some traits that are peculiar to the people of Marblehead - If you talk with the old soldiers or sailors there - you are quite struck with the way they speak of the Colors when they refer to the flag of the Country.

Others will speak of raising the flag - but with them it is always the raising of "The Colors" -

And I can quite understand the feeling they have of loyalty to their symbol of Patriotism -

We had a snow storm last night - so everything is pretty and white outside - but in my mind I keep turning to the Hacienda where there is no snow - but much that is green and summer like - and I feel warmer from the sight of it - I hope the three boys are there -

I will hurry this off now that it may start on its way

to tell you of my deep appreciation of the beautiful gift - and of my love and and gratitude to you -

Affectionately yours  
Mary Hooper

Ans. 5/12/13

Petersham, Mass.

All admired  
the lovely picture  
of the Hacienda  
so much - they  
want me have a  
frame for it so I  
can keep it in sight -

December 25<sup>th</sup> 1912

Dearest Friend -

The Christmas festivities are still going on - but I leave the tree for a few minutes - to come to my room - to tell you I have just opened my box and cannot wait to tell you how much I liked the beautiful dress patterns and the exquisite neck ornament -

Now if I could only get -



myself up to the point of not-taking all the beauty out of them - wouldn't it be a great achievement for me? We have nice pitchers of cream on the table - almost equal to those at the Hacienda - and they are passed to me with the remark that cream is flesh producing - so I do all I can in that way - for I think bones are unsightly and need a good covering of flesh - but now I shall try harder than ever - so to keep up with those gowns -

On the 19<sup>th</sup> I received a note from Mr. Edward Clark containing <sup>your</sup> check for two hundred dollars -

What shall I say to you - my dear over shadowing

Providence in thanks for all your kindness?

I am always hoping that I may find words to express my gratitude properly - but I never do - still I comfort myself with the thought that the right words may come to me sometime -

I trust you are well and having a very enjoyable day - I was hoping to have a New Years card to enclose - but when I see the ones they have at the village store - I say with Shakespeare that there <sup>are</sup> times when "a custom is more honored in the breach than in the observance" - And I go to the pot of rosemary and tie up a few sprigs with your <sup>belly</sup> color - for I seem to have been



by lending them to two poor  
women who are fond of  
reading - but are too far from  
the public library to walk there  
for their books - and that will  
extend your work of love -

I send you 1913 good wishes  
and am as ever gratefully -  
and affectionately yours -

Mary Hooper

Greetings to the  
Hacienda and  
all therein

Petersham, Mass.

January 12<sup>th</sup> 1913

My dear-kind friend -

The parcel -  
post - has brought to me  
the lovely New-Years gift -

The sight of "The Colors"  
brought me the usual inspi-  
ration - and my feeling  
seemed to be shared largely  
by the others of the household -  
My friend Elisabeth - who  
is a great lover of flowers  
was very enthusiastic over the  
soft clinging material with

Wrote her  
8/II/13 J.P.E.



Wisteria sprays - as were  
all the others -

I wish I knew how to thank  
you -

I am wondering if you  
will get to Boston when  
you make your trip East -

It is very cold just now -  
only 4 above this morning -  
It would be such a pleasure  
to see you if you do come -

If I knew when you  
would be there - perhaps I  
could go down for a day  
if the weather was not too  
bad - It is not much of a  
trip after you get to the steam  
cars - but the ten mile drive  
over the country road is  
quite an undertaking -

That is the one great dis-  
advantage of Petersham -  
that it is so hard to get  
to it and to get away from  
it -

I hope you did not  
get worn out working  
through the holidays and  
that this will find you  
as well as I could wish  
you -

I must not forget to tell  
you how much we are en-  
joying the January numbers  
of the Scribners Cosmopolitan  
World's Work & Hearst's magazine  
The other you mentioned -  
Good Housekeeping - has not  
come yet -

I can give a great deal of  
pleasure with the magazines  
after we have read them -



George and William are not quite up to the mark in health - they are dear boys - and my last look at John was a look at a picture - he was a great beauty

I feel it a pity that they should not - for six or eight years have the out-of-door life of California -

There may be other places as ideal in every way for children as the Hacienda - but I have never seen them -

I would like to be remembered to Mr. & Mrs. Edward Clark and the children - and thanking you again for your good letter - I am as always

Yours with gratitude and affection

Mary Hooper

I still have to fall  
back on my pot-  
of  
Rosemary

Petersham, Mass.

February 19<sup>th</sup> 1913

My dear Mrs. Hearst -

I was so glad to get your letter last evening -

I have been feeling - for the last two weeks - as if you were very near me - because you said in your last letter that you thought you would go to New York and possibly to Boston - the latter part of January -



So I began about the first of February - to think of you as being nearer in body - altho in other ways you couldn't be any nearer -

Just after yours. came a note from Miss Egan - telling me you would be in this part of the country - somewhere about this time -

Wasn't it kind of her to give <sup>me</sup> grounds for feeling that my sub conscious mind

gave me correct information - she also told me that during your stop at Los Angeles you were not at all well - I was so sorry to hear it -

Do take as good care of yourself as you can - for this rigorous climate is so different from

your genial one - you cannot do with impunity the things you could do there -

We have had a severely cold week until to day - which is milder - but - the traveling is ~~rather~~ wretched - both for sleighing and wheeling -

I thought of you on Valentine's day - and when you get home you will probably find a most ridiculous little parcel - which I hope you will laugh over -

You know we are so far away from every thing but - a little country store, that there is not any choice - but as I had never omitted sending a missive on that day since I knew you - of course I could not this time -

Thank you for telling me about the children - I am sorry



We have had two lovely days - almost-equal to the California days but-until very lately it-has been cold and disagreeable - but-the grass is getting green and I am hoping to have some roses by July if not before -

But-I still have my pot-of Rosemary in the window and I take off some bits and tie them together with the golden thread of love and send to you -

I hope this will find you well and with much love to the Hacienda and all therein I am

As ever gratefully yours

Mary Hooper

Ans. 25th / 13.

Petersham - Mass.

April 25<sup>th</sup> 1913

Dearest Friend -

It-was such a pleasure to me to get-your good letter of February 5<sup>th</sup> while you were in New York -

It<sup>was</sup> a great comfort to think of you as being so near - even if I could not see you -

I have wondered if you got as far as Boston and I felt-like writing a line to Mr.



Anthony to ask her - but - I did not - I had a very nice note from her about the parcel at Christmas - and I did not want her to think I was presuming on her kindness -

I think of you now as back again - at "Hacienda the Beautiful" as I always call it to myself and often do when speaking of it - to others - and I do hope the three boys are there with you to enjoy the wonderful advantages of the place.

I have just been reading with great interest - in the April number of Good Housekeeping Miss Jessie Wilson's article relating to the work of the Y. W. C. A. and when I saw the familiar corner

of the Tent City - I felt as if I had slipped across the Continent in some magical way - and it was such a pleasure -

I should have written you before this time but - I have a vision of you - busier than ever after your trip - and I remember so well standing by your desk and seeing the innumerable letters coming with each mail that I feel that I must not add to that number too often -

Just before I got your New York letter I sent you a most ridiculous little Valentine - I think you would be amused if you found it on your return - but as I had never omitted sending one in twenty years I felt that I could not this year - even if I was far away from anything artistic -



Greek Theatre - on the 14<sup>th</sup> of May  
and sent me a program - and  
told me you were there - so I  
really felt as if I had a glimpse  
of you at that time -

They were also at the performance  
of the extravaganza "The Machine  
Makers" about that time and  
sent a programme of that -

They are so delighted with the  
Greek Theatre and cannot say  
enough in praise of it - and I  
know - having been there - that they  
do not exaggerate - you know  
I was there at its dedication -  
So it is a great delight to me to  
hear all the particulars about it.

I am hoping to go to Marblehead  
before long - I should have gone before  
this - but my friend there had the  
misfortune of having her house badly  
burned soon after I left her last  
fall and it is hardly habitable yet -

I hope to go soon and I shall send  
you a word when I do - And for all  
your kindly interest in my welfare

I send you my warmest appreciation - and  
with great love and every  
good and pleasant  
wish - I am as ever  
yours gratefully  
Mary Hooker

Nov. 22/13

Peterham. Mass.

July 4<sup>th</sup> 1913

My dearest friend -

Your good  
letter reached me a few  
days ago - and I cannot  
tell you what a pleasure  
it was to me -

I had been thinking of you  
as being at the Hacienda and  
with all the usual things on your  
hands - besides preparing for the  
Barbecue on the Fourth - for  
I remember so well my one and  
only experience in that line -



So I am celebrating the day  
with you in spirit - by allowing  
myself the pleasure of answering  
your letter sooner than I might  
otherwise have done - for as  
you say - I know better than many  
people - how busy you are at all  
times - And I say again as  
I have said many times be-  
fore - when you have to leave  
somebody out - let it be me  
because I understand -

I almost felt as if I were  
having a little visit with you  
when I read in the Boston paper  
of the unveiling of the Maine  
Monument -

I felt sure  
you would be there - still I  
was glad to have it in black  
and white - for I know what  
it would mean to dear George  
to have you to fall back on -

in any little feeling of uncertainty  
You know I was a spectator in  
a little difference between him and  
his mother when he maintained  
his position (although tearfully)  
by saying "I know my Grandma  
would say I was right" and he  
was right - I longed to come  
to his assistance by saying so -  
but of course could not -

I am so glad the children  
will be with you through the  
summer - how I should like  
to see them -

Another thing that almost  
made me feel as if I had <sup>you</sup>  
seen you was hearing of by  
way of two of my friends who  
are staying in Berkeley - one  
of the two ladies was not well  
and finds the change from  
this part of the country to California  
very beneficial - they were at the  
Commencement exercises at the



Ans. 29/11/13.

Peterborough Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>  
1913

My very dear friend -

When I took  
up the last number of "Good  
Housekeeping" this morning - the  
first thing I opened to - was a  
picture of you - so I feel that  
I must send a word to tell  
you how gladly I greeted it -  
(although it does not look nearly  
as well as you do) and how  
much I enjoyed reading the  
article it was connected with.



It took me back to that Monday morning in Washington - when the National Congress of Mothers had its birth - at the Arlington. And I realize how much it owes to you for the success it has had -

We have enjoyed the magazines very much and I have been able to give pleasure to many people by sending them away after they have been read in the house -

I am still in Peterham altho' I intended to go to Marblehead before the cold weather came - but my friend with whom I have stayed for two summers was not at all well and there was much delay in restoring the house which

was badly burned. so I gave it up for this year -

It is beginning to be quite cold - so that my roses are all gone and the bushes will soon have to be covered for the winter - We shall miss them very much altho they are not equal to the California roses -

Mr. Gay's two sisters who were in Berkeley through the summer and are now at Moss Beach have written so enthusiastically of the flowers <sup>and</sup> have borne me out in my statements as to their size and beauty - that I feel that I have not exaggerated in any of my statements

I am not going to take up your time with a long letter - for I know you are busy as usual so will only add my abiding love for you and yours.

Gratefully Yours. Mary Hooper



much worse and Mr. Gay is going  
to start for Berkeley to morrow or the  
next day - He is so far from well  
that Mrs. Gay dreads to have him  
go - and in speaking of it to me  
yesterday - she said "I don't know  
what I should <sup>do</sup> if you were not here."

So I feel that if I can be of any  
service I must stay right here -

You - who are the stay of so  
many people will know how much  
it means to me to be of a little help -

But I thank you just as much  
as if I were going to start tomorrow  
and I will let you know how  
how things come out with us

I feel so sorry the three little lads were not with you -  
I want them to have all the joys  
of that place - the Hacienda -

I hope you got  
the little birth day  
card and the cushion  
on time -

Excuse this hastily  
written letter and  
believe me

most affectionately  
and gratefully  
Yours -

Mary Hooper

Petersham

Remember a hearty

Telegraph address

Dec. 9th 1893

Telegraphed

15/11/13

Dear Overshadowing Providence -

Your letter  
came yesterday and I was  
very glad to hear from you  
but sorry you had been ill -

I hope you are rested and  
feeling much stronger -

I know very well what all  
the things concerning the Festival  
mean in the way of work



How I would like to have been there to see Couchita crowned as the Queen - you know I was at the Hacienda when she and her father and mother were guests there for a number of weeks - she must have been a very attractive queen.

I hardly know how to thank you for your kind thought of me in the matter of going to Washington - and I should like very much to go a little later - And I must tell you why later -

Just now we have had

sad news of the severe illness of Mr. Gay's sister Mrs. Bigelow who is in Berkeley - I think I wrote you last April that the two sisters who have a bungalow a few minutes walk from from the farm-house - had gone to California

They had some old friends in Berkeley who were anxious for them to go there, thinking it would benefit Mrs. Bigelow's health and the doctor approved it - they were there a few months and then took a cottage at Moss Beach - and we had the best of news from them but a week ago Mrs. B. was taken



Mary Hooper  
Mar. 30 - 1919

Peterham March 30

My best loved Friend -

I hope it will not seem thoughtless in me to add another to the large number of letters that you receive every day - But I cannot resist the strong desire I have to tell you of my great sympathy and my hope that you will be quite well again very soon -

I am thinking of you constantly and my thoughts take me back to those years in Wash.ington when I used to see



you so often and I must-  
tell you those years seem  
to me the most-satisfactory  
part of my life - but it  
was only through you that  
I was able to do what I  
did for those poor children  
and whenever I hear any  
thing good concerning  
them - as I have a number  
of times - how I do bless  
you

I am still struggling with  
the after effects of the attack  
of influenza I had just  
after the holidays and I  
am longing for some  
spring weather - It is  
snowing hard to day  
and every thing is covered  
with ice and snow.

But I transport myself in  
thought to your beautiful  
land of sunshine & flowers  
and so manage to be  
patient as possible until  
the Spring comes -

I am so fortunate in having  
the beautiful Hacienda  
to fly to when the Siberian  
weather comes here - for I  
think there is no other place  
in the world its equal

I feel very grateful to your  
secretary - Mr. Clark for her  
kind note to me - I send  
her many thanks and  
hoping this will find you  
well again I am as always  
gratefully and affectionately  
yours -

Mary Hooper

Hacienda -

Wishing every good thing  
I can think of - for you

I am always affectionately  
and gratefully yours -

M. H.



1631 Allston Way. Berkeley

Tuesday Sept-2<sup>nd</sup>

Dearest Friend -

I have  
been here just a week -  
and send you a word  
to tell you that I am  
going on all right -

Have had a treatment  
every day - and my  
ear and the side of my  
face seem much im-  
proved in spite of the  
damp and cold <sup>weather</sup> which



has kept me from going  
out of doors as much  
as I had been for some  
weeks - but I think we  
must have sunshine  
soon

The Hacienda weather  
spoils you for any that  
is not quite up to the  
mark -

As I could not  
go out much I got some  
worsted and began some  
knitting and you  
would be surprised to see  
how industrious I have  
been -

I thought of dear little  
George on Friday - as  
starting on the journey.

to his parents - and I  
have followed him in my  
thoughts ever since -

I do hope his trip will  
be a safe and pleasant  
one -

I trust Brother William  
will not follow him  
for some time yet -

How I miss the daily  
sight of that dear - happy -  
and most inspiring  
face -

I hope you are quite  
well again - so you can  
be out of doors - to enjoy  
all the beauty of color  
and every thing else that  
goes with the wonderful

they are properly covered up for the winter - I don't know as I should have come away - but I wanted to get my Christmas dress made - the delightful soft-staying material I am so fond of - and there isn't a dress maker in the village of Petersham -

I hope you are having a pleasant summer and as restful a one as possible for a person who has the burdens of a multitude to carry -

I am thinking of the three little lads as being with you - how I should like to see them

how I should like a sight of you - but I feel myself fortunate in having such good pictures of you - especially the one with little John sitting on your lap - I think I like that a little the best -

With much  
love to you  
and all  
43 Al. Hacienda  
I am  
always  
gratefully  
yours  
Mary Hooker

Sewall St.  
Marblehead Mass.

Dearest Friend -

I have just been reading over again your last letter - which came to me in May - I couldn't tell you how many times I have read it - It seemed so wonderful to me that with that tremendous undertaking of accommodating three or four hundred people you could take time to write



a letter of three sheets - twelve  
pages - that I look upon it as a  
most remarkable document -

Every time I have read it  
I have felt like writing to  
<sup>you</sup> but remembering the piles  
you have every day - I have  
refrained - I read with  
great interest the accounts in  
the Boston Transcript of the  
Convention at the Hacienda  
and being so familiar with  
the location - I could see  
all those tents so plainly I  
almost felt as if I had been  
there -

I came down from Peterham  
two weeks ago and am enjoying  
the salt air - and the weather  
has been very pleasant - I did  
not go out much in the winter  
it was so cold - but in the spring  
we sent away for a dozen nice  
rose-bushes and I was put in  
charge of them and had great  
success - I wanted to have as many  
as possible - of the the kind growing  
at the Hacienda - but found that  
most of them would not stand  
this colder climate - still I did  
risk two or three - and I shall  
have to go back early to see that

To-morrow I expect to go back  
to Peterham for the winter  
I shall write you from  
there soon.

This has been a lovely  
month quite like California  
weather - but it will soon  
be cold so I cannot stay  
out much - and the  
farm seems better for  
me - as my friend here  
has to be at her library  
four days in the week  
and I should be much  
alone - I send love  
to the children and all at  
the Hacienda - and please  
take a large amount for

yourself from your  
gratifyingly and  
affectionately  
Mary Hooper

Please ex-  
cuse this  
scrawl -  
my writing  
things are  
packed  
in my  
trunk -  
ready for  
a start -

Marblehead Oct. 2 2<sup>th</sup>

Dearest Friend -

I have  
just finished reading over  
again the last two letters  
from you - something I have  
done many times - for  
they seem to me such  
wonderful letters that I  
never tire of reading them.

The one written in  
May just before the great  
gathering at the Hacienda  
of the Y. W. C. A. I had

And a



just acknowledged - when  
the other one came - only  
two hours after - I felt  
like sending a word in  
answer to that but - when  
I read that you had been  
sitting down at table with  
about thirty people at  
Wynnton and were soon  
going back to Hacienda  
for a formal luncheon -  
I thought you ought to have  
a few hours rest from letters

I have been with you  
very often in spirit if not  
in body and have seen the  
lovely picture of Wynnton  
in grey and green as well  
as the brilliant coloring of

the beautiful Hacienda - the  
two most beautiful places  
I have ever seen -

I am so glad to have had  
the good fortune to see  
them both - but most of all  
I am thankful to know  
their Mistress - and I  
so often repeat to myself the  
words of Shakespeare -

"I count myself in nothing  
so fortunate as in a heart  
remembering my good friends"

I do hope you are having  
some time to rest - after  
your very busy summer

I have had a pleasant  
stay at Marblehead - have  
been here nearly three months -

and sometimes a laugh is  
better than medicine -

Now I come to think of it - I  
believe it has one of the Browning  
characteristics - it is somewhat  
obscure - so I shall have to  
explain - The first letters  
of each line form your name.

The poor little A in the mid-  
dle seems lonesome because  
I did not know what went with  
it - And that <sup>is</sup> all that  
saved you from having more  
lines - And the whole is  
the picture of you in my mind  
(as recommended by the apostle of  
mind cure) in the most robust  
health - with all nature in a  
sort of triumphal procession -  
Any thing else which is not  
quite plain I thought might  
be ascribed to poetic license

And feeling sure you  
will understand my  
desire to avail myself  
of every thing that I hear  
of - which could do you  
no harm even if it  
did you no good  
I am as ever  
faithfully  
yours  
M H

Dear Mrs. Hearst -  
I do hope  
the cold has left you and  
you are well again -  
I saw an acquaintance last  
evening who talks much of  
the mind cure - and I ask-  
ed her if one could have a  
beneficial effect upon a friend  
at a distance as well as upon  
one's self - She said yes  
and that an important thing  
was to think of the friend  
as well and strong - and

2. New Jersey Avenue  
Sunday Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>



not-to let-the thought of illness come into the mind - not even to ask if she were better.

Now the last-item I could not concede to - but-the other I have tried - I have thought of you as being in the most vigorous health - and with that thought-I sat down to the desk which suggested to me that it-might-help me keep that state of mind to begin the poem - the long talked-of - and never forgotten - poem -

So I made the attempt and as I am going to hear from Nicholas just-how you are in spite of mind-cure apoplexy I shall take it-along

After I had finished-the desk looked at-me - re-

proachfully as I thought - for making such a bungling piece of work - but-I said by way of apology - Oh! dear delightful desk - I know you are disappointed - and it is not-your fault-that the lines are not-worthy a Tennyson or Longfellow - it-is entirely the fault-of <sup>the</sup> ~~your~~ awkward medium - through which you work -

I humbly ask your pardon - and I will try to do <sup>again</sup> better if I ever do such a thing -

Its shining face was like a smile - so I felt that the matter was amicably adjusted -

However I believe it-has one merit-which some finished productions might-not-have - it-will give you a hearty laugh when you read it - and

were saying - I felt sure  
she must have been a very  
interesting child. and with  
her soft-dark eyes and  
brown hair - very pleasant  
to look upon - I felt as  
near to her as to the children  
I am with every day -

All through  
the year when I see any  
small and inexpensive  
looks for children - I collect  
them. and give them out -  
at Xmas to whatever  
child they seem to fit -  
And on Sunday I was  
looking over my stock  
and came to this tiny one  
"A child's dream of a star"  
And I said this one was  
meant for the small maiden

1732. N. J. Avenue  
Christmas day

Dear friend -

The exquisite  
little clocks have just  
come - and I am resting  
myself from yesterday's  
labors by sitting around  
and looking at all  
the pretty things -  
The turkey gives forth a  
most appetizing odor -  
and the cake and  
ice-cream are waiting  
to be eaten -



I thought I should like  
to give you something -  
although I knew that what  
ever I could make for  
you - you would have  
something of its kind  
much more beautiful -

Still knowing that - I  
commenced a little gift -  
and was working at it -  
When some one suggested  
that no gift at all would  
be in better taste - so I  
put it away - But on  
second thought I said to  
myself - Gratitude can  
never be <sup>in</sup> really bad taste  
even expressed in the sim-  
plest form - And I shall

finish the bit of work  
and send it to you on  
the New Year

After I left you Saturday  
night - I thought all the  
way home of what you  
had been telling me of  
the little western girl who  
rode her pony so fearlessly  
every day to school - and  
grieved if anything kept  
her at home - And the  
last thought before I went  
to sleep was of her - she  
seemed to take her place  
among the children whom  
Dickens has immortalised  
Little Nell - Florence Dombey  
and the dear little old-  
fashioned Paul - who always  
wondered what the name

Phebe - so I send the little  
book and rose as a  
loving tribute to the child  
who kept over Little Dorrit

I am sure she was the one  
this book was made for -

Please read it in remem-  
brance of her -

Your small parcel shall  
come later

I hope you are having  
a pleasant Christmas -  
and as useful as it is  
possible for you to have -

I extend to you the  
words of thanks which have  
come in from all quarters -  
and in the old-time manner  
will sign myself

Your most obedient servant

M. H.



I want to tell you that  
if at any time - or for any  
reason whatsoever - you should  
think it advisable to  
economise in any manner  
I want you to tell me  
the first of any - and  
be sure that I shall  
take as much delight  
in that - as I do in  
these lovely things now -  
for it will show your  
confidence in me.

And now - trusting the  
night will restore my  
equilibrium and bring  
you refreshing sleep -

I am - as ever

truly yours

Mary Hooper

Tuesday evening

Dear Mr. Hearst -

I am  
very sorry to have behaved  
in so undignified a  
manner - and I cannot  
even say as the children  
do "please excuse me -  
and I will not do so  
any more" - for I am  
sure to do just so again.

I know my fellow  
teachers would be greatly  
scandalised at such  
conduct - but - feeling



that you and the ladies  
would have a keener  
perception of my condition  
I shall try to bear up  
under the disgrace -

The things are all so  
lovely I must - not - make  
any invidious distinction  
by mentioning any par-  
ticular thing. But if I  
could do such a thing  
it would be the desk -  
at which I am writing.

One of the first things I  
mean to do - is - to write  
out - the story of the good  
little white hen - the  
next thing will be an  
elaborate article on the

great - advantages of  
improvidence - and send  
a copy to each of my  
friends - who a year ago -  
predicted for me the  
sad fate of a pauper -

I have moved the  
furniture about - twice  
since you left - - after  
it - all comes - I want you  
and the ladies to come  
and arrange it - in  
the most - approved style  
for in my present state  
I might - put a toilet - set -  
in the parlor -

And now that I have told  
you what - delight - I have  
in the beautiful things



into your neighborhood  
soon and I shall have  
the feeling that there  
may be some lovely  
costume just ready for  
me to look at -

I write you a letter every  
few days but manage  
to get it so long and  
so trifling that I have  
to burn it - fearing it  
may fall into the hands  
of some one who wouldn't  
understand it - so I  
will close this now while  
it is a good length -

Hoping you are well  
and not working too  
hard - I am your most  
affectionate servant - M.H.

930. T. street  
March 6<sup>th</sup>

Dearest Mistress -

Now that  
is wrong - because alho  
I have other friends -  
I have but one Mistress -  
And I should have  
said dear and should  
not have used even the  
superlative degree where  
there is no comparison  
to be made - but being  
of a thrifty inclination  
I will not waste the



Sheet of paper - but proceed  
to tell you how much  
I enjoyed the few minutes  
with you on Tuesday -

I felt quite reconciled  
at the loss of the musical

If I had realised  
that it was your day  
at home I should have  
put on my Paris Sonnet  
so I could go down stairs  
and see the young ladies -  
but if I had - I don't  
see how I could have  
carried my black bag  
with the edible birds nest  
and the trimming - and  
the general curiosity shop  
which I take around  
with me - so I think  
it was all for the best -

If you only had that  
nice private little back-  
door that I talk about -  
I feel sure you would  
receive many more curi-  
osities from the black-bag,  
but a kind providence  
has kept you from it -

I was so glad I  
took the ticket for the  
lecture - for I invited  
a kindergarten who  
was visiting next door -  
and was pleased to go  
as she had never seen  
or heard Miss Blow -

I shall probably  
drop in upon you again  
very soon as I have  
some things to call me



11  
I looked at my map, and  
it seemed to me I am so  
little of a traveller quite won-  
derful to have crossed the  
continent twice in so short  
a time - but I trust you  
will soon be home again  
safe and well and that  
your friends will be con-  
siderate and give you a  
little time to rest - for I  
can understand and ap-  
preciate Robert's feelings  
when he told me last  
spring he thought you would  
have been well before that  
time - if people would only  
let you alone - And lest  
I have to apologise to him  
for so long a greeting, I will  
only say please believe me  
gratefully yours - Mary Hooper

1132. New Jersey Avenue  
Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>

Dear Mrs. Hearst -

It was a  
great disappointment to  
me not to see you on  
the day you left for  
New York - so I give my-  
self the pleasure of writing  
a note of greeting to await  
your return - If my mes-  
senger had come back  
ten minutes sooner - I  
should have been at the



station in season for your train. but I just missed it. I must tell you why I felt so disappointed

I did want one more glimpse of you. and I had for you two of the most beautiful roses I have ever seen. Great fragrant "American Beauties" I think they would have perfumed a whole car. I felt as if they would speak the children's and my thanks for all you have done for me this summer

better than any thing else could. I did want you to have them. for I think on the care is the place to enjoy flowers. As you cannot do anything else. you have to give yourself up to the enjoyment of them. Well. perhaps I may find others as beautiful.

When you left for California in June. I put up a map and followed you on the way there. and a few days ago when I heard of your being in Maine



I can do it - if I ever  
do - it will be through  
you - who are indeed  
my good angel -

There are no places  
where I could be as com-  
fortable as I am here  
and do what I want -  
I wish to do as well -  
so I consider myself one  
of the most fortunate of  
mortals - If you think  
I am writing a little  
too often - don't hesitate  
to tell me -

Hoping this will find  
you well and with much  
love to you - Annie and  
Agnes - I am as ever  
gratefully yours  
H.C.

930. T. street  
Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>.

My dear Mrs. Hearst -

Although  
it is not a week since  
I wrote you - I send  
a line now to accompany  
the little parcel which  
I am going to ask  
Mrs. Vandubitt to take  
to you - I send  
the book of poems be-  
cause I am interested  
in the author - and  
I thought you might give  
it to Agnes - it will help

to keep me in mind and  
I don't - want - the child  
to outgrow me -

And you know why I  
send the bag - not -  
because you need it  
but - because I must  
send you my love  
occasionally - boxed  
up - or put in a bag  
or some other receptacle -

It - is a little more  
satisfying than to send  
it - in words even if  
you do not want the  
things - But - I thought  
your mother might want  
one by this time -

I take a lively

interest in the party  
going out - to you -  
and I know just - how  
busy you will be for  
some weeks - Don't - work  
too hard - please -

The weather has been very  
cool and pleasant - and  
I have been sending some  
of my poor sewing women  
on little excursions to the  
Country and have enjoyed  
it - as much as they - and  
to the children - The

Country is always a delight  
I am alone a good  
deal by day - and that is  
what - I want - for I am  
trying to solve a problem  
in regard to a most un-  
fortunate child - perhaps



I hope it will amount to some thing for the poor little thing has worked so hard - and she is very amiable and kind hearted.

I couldn't help her with her dancing affairs - but I was glad to keep the children in order while she went to see about something to wear in her visit to Miss Adams -

I have kept quite in touch with you through the papers this week and I did want to go to Berkeley on Wednesday - but that car of mine is such a tyrant - I thought it better not to go and Pa Peters had been predicting rain all the week -

When I heard that dear little George and William were on the other side of

the Atlantic - I felt very low in my spirits -

I know how you must feel about it -

Hoping you are a little rested ~~from~~ ~~the~~ ~~hard~~ ~~work~~ of the week and with much love  
yours gratefully  
M. H.

Love to Mrs. Cropper and Miss Heron if they are with you

2514 Pine St.  
May 20<sup>th</sup>

Dearest Friend -

I want

to thank you for the tickets to see Mand Allan on Tuesday and to tell you how we all enjoyed the wonderful performance

I gave the two upstairs tickets to Miss Peters for herself and her younger sister and they were so pleased -



I sat with Miss Eagan and Mrs. Lummis and our seats were fine.

We had a nice little visit together before the performance began.

Miss Peters asked me to send her thanks to you when I wrote - so I put them in with mine -

She is very busy just now so I went down stairs this morning and stayed with her class of children - and felt quite promoted as here is the most advanced class -

There was really nothing to do in the two houses

I stayed with <sup>them</sup> as they had their work all layed out for them - copying their examination papers in arithmetic - it only needed somebody to keep them in order

Miss Peters is in great spirits over what seems to her a great piece of good luck

It seems that Made Adams in her performance at the Heard Greek Theatre, wants to introduce something a little different from the usual in the way of a dance - and she wants some one to teach her - so a friend mentioned Miss Peters - and Miss Adams made an appointment with Miss Peters for Sunday morning

So you see if Miss Adams takes some lessons from Miss Peters - it will be quite an "ad" for the Nyen Academy



might like it - So if  
any apology is needed  
for my taking an interest  
in you - please consider  
it as made

With best wishes

I am  
Yours truly

Mary Hooper

Washington April 18<sup>th</sup>  
1895.

Dear Mr. Hearst -

Enclosed

is a very old letter -  
written more than a  
hundred years ago -  
by Thomas Jefferson

It was written  
in or near the year 1787.  
to his little motherless  
daughter - who was at-

school in Paris - when  
Mr. Jefferson was Minister  
to France - before being  
President of the United States

I should have sent  
it in time to reach you  
on Jefferson's birth-day  
if I had known your  
address - but perhaps it  
will reach you on four

Should you wonder  
why I - a stranger who  
has only seen you once  
seem to take the liberty  
of an old friend - I can  
only say that Mrs. Hearst.

your mother - has been  
such a wonderful friend  
to the children under my  
charge and to me - that  
I have been constantly  
thinking if I could not  
do something for her  
but there has seemed to  
be nothing that others  
could not do better than  
I -

A short time  
ago when a gentleman  
was looking over the old  
letter and expressing  
an interest in it - it  
occurred to me that you



I can think of for the  
Hacienda and all there in -  
first - of all for its Mistress -  
and I am as ever yours  
most-gratefully & affectionately -  
Mary Hooper

for Mrs. Hooper

43 Sewall St.  
Marblehead - March 27

Dearest Friend -

The long  
good letter I received  
from you the first of  
the month was a great  
pleasure to me - and  
when I remembered the  
more than usual  
amount of work you  
must have had on  
your hands just then

it touched me very  
deeply to think of your  
stopping to write me  
at such length - and  
I want to thank you  
and tell you that it  
has been a constant in-  
spiration to me - making  
the pain in my ear  
much easier to bear -

I shall spend Easter - as  
usual - at the Hacienda  
and I can see the beautiful  
decorations just as they  
were the last Easter I was  
there - You know I am  
there at all the "High days  
and Holidays" -

I am so glad you have the  
two little boys there and it  
is so good for them -

How I should like to see  
them - I always think of  
Wm R as the best and  
most patient of children -

I don't know so much  
about little John's goodness  
but he was what they call  
a raving beauty - looked  
as if he had stepped out  
of a picture and left his  
garland of flowers behind  
him -

I haven't anything worth  
sending - but I send this  
breath of the old-time lavender  
and all the good wishes



Pelrham Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>

Dearest Friend - It is not

long since I wrote - and  
I don't want to spoil any  
good record I may have  
gained by keeping letters  
away from you - but I feel  
that I must send the tiny  
card with the flower of  
remembrance - and just a  
word to tell you I shall be

with you in thought on  
the birth day and shall  
feel that I am dining with  
you in the evening - in  
that beautiful dining room.

I hope you keep well  
and that things are ordered  
so that you may get a little  
more rest than you usually.  
<sup>do</sup> At this season of the year -

We are having a little  
snow to day - but I know  
you haven't any - for I  
just saw in the Boston  
paper that the thermometer  
in San Francisco was sixty six

I look every day to see how  
it stands - Love to the

children if they are still  
with you as I hope they  
are - and every good wish  
to you from

your affectionate friend

Mary Hooper



the tears came to her  
eyes and she made <sup>me</sup>  
understand that they  
had no father - no one  
to be kind to them but  
"The Journal" - she  
couldn't manage to  
say Mr. Hearst as well  
as she could that -  
But she said "The Journal"  
in perfectly good English  
and that meant - your  
son - and that he  
had been good to them.

I thought you would  
like to hear that the  
little proficiency she had  
made in English had been  
by reason of your son's generosity.

She seemed to think

The flowers were a tribute  
to her husband and pointed  
to his picture - so I told  
the boy to tell her I had  
brought them to her because  
I was sorry for her -

They were in a very com-  
fortable little house and  
their clothes looked com-  
fortable - but - not - being  
able to talk was of course  
a great hindrance to  
finding out if there was  
any way in which I could  
be of help - When I was  
leaving - the boy said his  
mother wished me to  
come again to see her.

I had not intended  
to write such a long letter  
but - you know my procliv-



ities - I thought as you  
have so many letters I would  
limit myself to one the  
last-week in each month -

Do you think that would  
be too often? if you do  
I'll change it - and say one  
in six weeks - You shall  
swil-yourself in the matter

I wish you could  
see my little Indian Corner -  
every body admires it -

When I think of my attempt at  
giving you a present - and  
its ending in one to myself -  
it seems a little strange that  
I should not - have managed  
a little better - But - perhaps  
Providence arranged it - so that  
I should still have an occupation  
So I am still in search of the  
present - I must tell you  
that the largest Olla was con-  
sidered a very valuable one, and

took a nice little bunch  
of flowers from my garden  
as a sort of excuse - and  
went over -

The poor  
woman seemed pleased  
to see me - But - as she  
could not - speak much  
English and I could not  
speak Spanish - We did  
not - make much headway

A boy of twelve acted  
as interpreter but - he did  
not - seem to understand  
all I said - There were  
three children in the room  
and I began to point  
with my finger as if I  
were counting them and  
she understood that and  
put - up the fingers of one  
hand to tell me there  
were five and repeated  
their names - Then



six - Miss Hooper Wash. June 27-1898

And I must tell you of a  
call I made this morning  
upon Mrs. Ruiz - the widow  
of the man killed in Cuba

Mrs. Vanderbilt had said  
Mr. Hoar would like me  
to go and see how they  
were situated - they are  
quite near me - so I

struggle because of  
temperate habits of her hus-  
band - She does not ap-  
pear to quite as good advan-  
tage in the note as she  
does personally - because she  
has felt she must bring out  
her very best literary abilities  
just as she would her very  
best clothes to meet you in  
and you know some times  
people really appear best in



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1905-1914

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to reach an open port  
at Valdez in South-  
Eastern Alaska. Mail  
leaves here every week by  
dog-team after a very  
round about way, via  
the Yukon River to Dawson  
City and then over White  
Pass railroad to the  
steamer. We receive  
telegraphic news this  
year for the first season  
over the wireless  
system from St. Michaels  
at the mouth of the  
Yukon River. It is a  
great consolation

Nome, Alaska.  
March 16<sup>th</sup> 1905  
My dear Mrs Hearst:-  
You no doubt  
will be very much  
surprised to receive my  
letter with this postmark  
of Nome. So far away  
from San Francisco  
and where you were so  
kind to ask. The doctor  
had an opportunity of  
going as Surgeon to  
one of the large con-  
struction companies



was prevailed upon <sup>to</sup> entering  
in. Some, which you no doubt  
have heard about, as being a  
very wonderful place, turning  
champ. We have been here  
nearly six months since  
Behang Sea, became frozen  
over, ~~in fact~~ one immersed sheet  
of ice and now as far as the  
eyes can see, with no means  
of communication with the  
outside world ~~except~~ by mail  
which takes over two months

in this part of Alaska  
so we took advantage  
of the offer and spent  
the summer with the  
constructors of the  
Council City & Solomon  
River R. R. Co, at  
Dickson City, named  
after Mr. J. Warren  
Dickson, of New York City,  
a very dear friend of the  
doctors.

After summering with  
the railroad people,  
at Dickson, the doctor



I have such a good, loving  
& devoted husband & often  
think how different it  
might have been, had  
it not been for you, who  
have always been so good  
to me and to whom I owe  
so much. We expect to  
return by next Fall.  
We are very anxious to  
visit the East, so the  
doctor can visit the  
hospitals & colleges before  
commencing his work  
again in San Francisco.  
We hope to have acquired  
sufficient means to have  
our little home, & the  
doctor thinks so much

to hear from the out-  
side by wire and one  
cannot appreciate how  
much the telegraph is  
missed until it gets  
out of order for a few  
days, which happens  
occasionally. We have  
been having a very  
pleasant winter and  
not a very cold one  
for one so far North  
64°. The thermometer  
has gone as low as 40°  
below for a few days at  
a time, but unless  
the wind blows, we  
do not notice the



Miss Mamma so much and I know  
she is, I am sure without me, but  
she is always so unselfish.  
She thought it a good opportunity  
for the doctor to make  
some money and to have a  
little start for ourselves so  
encouraged our coming and  
also thought it well for us to  
remain this winter. Mamma  
thinks so much of the doctor, she  
feels perfectly satisfied to have us  
so far away when it is for  
our good.

cold, much for we  
are dressed in our  
fur coats, cap with  
their ear pieces and  
fur gloves. We have  
been riding in dog  
teams which is a very  
novel experience, been  
snow shoeing and on  
skis. When we return  
we will ~~to~~ be able  
to relate our many  
strange sights and  
experiences of the  
winter spent in the  
far North, the land  
of the Eskimos.

Send her a nice  
letter when you can.  
Will speak to you about  
this.

3/ depends upon getting  
started right in your  
early married life.

When we return we hope  
to see you so you can  
become better acquainted  
with the doctor, for I  
know you will think  
as Mama does of him.

We trust you have  
enjoyed your travels  
and acquired the long  
deserved rest, which  
you were so much in  
need of, after doing  
so much good for others.

With best wishes from



The doctor and much  
love from me - I am

Most sincerely yours,  
Alice Hopper.

decided to wait awhile  
As I have always done  
the writing for Mama, she  
asks me to thank you  
for her pretty tea-pot.  
She says it is the prettiest  
one she has ever seen  
and takes great pleasure  
and pride with it.

We are keeping house  
in a flat on Castro St.  
It is light and sunny  
which makes it nice  
for the baby. The doctor  
is working hard reestab-  
lishing himself in  
San Francisco.  
The doctor is very

San Francisco, Cal.,  
Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1906.

Dear Mrs. Hearst:-

We regretted very  
much when our train  
was delayed at the  
time of our home coming  
which prevented our  
seeing you before your  
departure for the East.  
The doctor and I looked  
forward with great  
pleasure to the time  
when we could show  
you our baby girl, Alice  
Phoebe. We named  
her Phoebe, after you



delighted with the beautiful  
film you gave her, it is admired  
by every one. I am sure I don't  
know how to thank you for the  
beautiful Christmas present you  
sent me. It made me so  
happy and looks so handsome  
on my light dress.

Mama has been quite well  
since my return and has made  
all arrangements to go to the  
hospital last month, by  
noon feeling a little better

and do hope you will  
be pleased. I love the  
name of Phebe, because  
it is your name and one  
that will always be  
very dear to me and I  
know it always will be  
to my Alice.

The baby has been a  
remarkably well child  
and is gaining in weight  
rapidly. She is now  
five months old and  
in her short clothes,  
she looks very sweet  
and dainty. They all  
say she is a very pretty  
girl. We need not

Alvin Hopper

anxious to perfect  
himself in his surgical  
work and is a great  
student and hard worker.  
I have so often wished  
I could see your little  
grand son, and do hope  
I will some day. He  
must indeed be a  
lovely boy and from the  
picture, in the Examiner,  
some time ago, looks,  
I thought, like you.  
His father must be  
very proud of him  
and he certainly has



a father he will be  
very proud of.

Trusting that you are  
enjoying the very best  
of health and wishing  
you a safe return  
with love from Mama  
the doctor, Alice Plocke  
and myself. I am

Most sincerely yours,  
Alice Hopper.

465- Castro Street.

for your kindness  
and hoping you and  
your family are quite  
well and that you  
will find it convenient  
to have us visit  
you soon. With  
much love. Love

Very sincerely yours,  
Alice Hopper.

429 Castro St. S.F.



San Francisco, Cal.,  
May 12<sup>th</sup> 1908.

My dear Mrs Hearst:-

We were very  
much pleased to receive  
the sack of prunes  
you so kindly sent us.  
They are so good for  
Alice, especially now.  
We have been buying



Last evening the Doctor and I  
attended the reception given at  
the Fairmount Hotel.

We were in hopes of seeing you,  
but hope we will ~~could~~ <sup>could</sup> other  
time. I wore the lovely scarf  
you gave me for Christmas.

Ed looked so pretty over a  
light gown.

Thanking you very much

them in the grocery store,  
but these are so sweet  
and fresh, we are  
so glad to have them  
for her. You are  
always doing such  
sweet and thoughtful  
things, one hardly  
knows how to thank  
you. Little Alice loves  
you very dearly and  
in her little night  
prayers always says,  
"God bless darling Mr. Hunt."



would ask Mrs. Hearst  
for some flowers for  
that day.

Hoping you are quiet  
well and that we  
have the pleasure of  
seeing you soon.

With kindest remembrance  
from the Doctor and  
love from Mama  
and me - Love

Most sincerely yours  
Alice Hopper

429 Castro Street.

Please order  
flowers from  
Podesta  
2 doz  
same of  
China aster  
and two  
doz lillies.  
I also a  
bunch of  
the very  
small pink  
roses.  
Send a card with  
flowers from  
Mama  
not later  
than  
Leipzig  
Stock  
Aug. 21<sup>st</sup> 1908  
Mrs. Hearst.  
It seems so  
long since we have  
seen you but hear of  
you occasionally.  
Mama has just returned  
from Stockton after  
visiting with Arthur  
for four months, hoping  
to regain her health, but



I want to ask you, if it  
would not be too much trouble  
for some flowers for next  
Tuesday, August-twenty-fifth.  
I am giving Alice a little birthday  
party. She will be three years  
old, and as she is so fond of  
flowers and talks so much of  
Mrs. Hearst's beautiful flowers  
and your boy, I told her I

she does not seem any  
better.

The Doctor expects to  
hear Mr. Hearst speak,  
in Oakland, Saturday  
morning. How happy  
you must be to have  
your son and his  
family with you and  
the dear new baby. If  
he is as fine a boy as  
his brother George  
Randolph, Mama, says  
he must be a fine  
boy. Dear Mrs. Hearst





the night Mr. Hearst, spoke, at  
the Central Theatre, although  
we gained admission, the  
crowd made it impossible for  
us to see Mr. Hearst. Of course  
you know. Mamma thinks  
there is nobody like Mr. Hearst.

My dear Mrs. Hearst, I do  
hope that you will find it  
convenient to invite us to  
visit you, soon, for we

to see if they are still  
there for she, says, she  
wants to take good  
care of them. She is  
always asking her  
Papa, to please take  
her to see Mrs. Hearst  
and her boy.

We heard the new baby  
boy had been ill but  
hope he is quiet well  
again.

The Doctor has been  
wishing to have the  
pleasure of meeting  
Mr. Hearst.

with your son and  
his family will be a  
very happy <sup>one</sup> and has  
delighted the children  
will be to see you.

I hope when you  
return you will invite  
us to see you and those  
lovely boys. I am so  
anxious to see them.

With many warm  
thanks to you, for  
your kindness with  
much love. I am -

Affectionately yours,  
Alice Hopper.

They almost  
always ask to  
be invited to the  
Hacienda.



San Francisco, Cal.,  
April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1909.

My dear Mrs. Hearst:-

Mama thanks  
you very much for  
the check you sent  
her and was so happy  
to receive your letter.  
It seemed to make  
her feel so much better  
to hear from you.



It was very kind of you to  
send us the tickets for  
Peter Paul and I thank you  
very much for them.

I took the children, they  
had never seen anything  
like that and thoroughly  
enjoyed it. I enjoyed it as  
much as the children did.  
It is such a pretty play.  
I feel sure you will

I have been quite  
worried for a long  
time about Martha's  
condition, but hope  
and trust that all  
will go well with  
her and that she will  
be spared to us for  
many years.

We received the pretty  
Easter cards you sent  
us, the children  
are collecting postal  
cards and do enjoy  
them so much.

San Francisco, Cal.,  
February 26<sup>th</sup> 1910.

Dear Mrs. Hearst:-

I was so sorry  
to hear from Miss. Egan  
whom I met on the  
street, a few days ago,  
that you had not  
been well, but very  
glad to know you  
were quite well now.  
It seems such a  
long time since we



you see my two girls, Alice  
and Muriel. They are grow-  
ing to be sweet big girls.

Hoping that you and your  
dear Grand-children are well  
and that I will hear from

you soon, naming a time  
when we may see you.  
Write much love - Love

Very sincerely yours,  
429 Castro St. Alice Whopper.

have seen you, we  
hope you will find  
it convenient to see  
us soon.

We would be very  
happy to call upon  
you sometime when  
you are in the City  
if you would let us  
know when we could  
do so.

Mama and I are  
very anxious to have

pleased to see you  
He could come to  
Pleasanton in the  
machine anytime you  
would say to do so.  
Alice and Muriel ask  
me to send you a kiss  
from them.

With kindest remembrance  
from the Doctor and  
love from Mama and  
me - Sam

Very sincerely yours,  
Alice Hopper.

San Francisco, Cal.,  
Oct 10<sup>th</sup> - 1910

Dear Mrs. Hearst:-

It made me  
very happy to receive  
your letter. I was  
very sorry to learn  
at the time of my  
telephoning you at  
the Fairmont Hotel,  
that you were not  
well but hope you  
are quite yourself again.



a great deal and love to look  
at your picture. They love you  
very much.

Of course we are very anxious  
to see you but realize how  
your time is taken up.

Any time that you would  
find it convenient to leave us  
visit you at Pleasanton or  
somewhere when you are  
in town we would be very

I have heard so many  
lovely things about  
your new baby.

We thought the other  
two very fine and are  
very anxious to see  
this baby.

Alice and Muriel have  
grown to be fine large  
girls. Alice is five  
years old and Muriel  
three years old.

They talk of Mrs. Hearst

in it.

My dear Mrs. Hearst is it  
expecting too much to  
ask you if you could  
spare me a bed-spread  
for mine or the children's  
bed.

We have been fixing the  
place with what we had  
and any little thing you  
could spare would be of  
great help to us.

Alice and Muriel are  
growing to be big girls  
and are going to school  
now.

new address



San Francisco, Cal.  
Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> 1912.

Dear Mrs. Hearst:-

We were just  
morning to a new house  
when I received the  
beautiful flowers and the  
box of grapes you so kindly  
sent us. We appreciated  
them very much indeed.



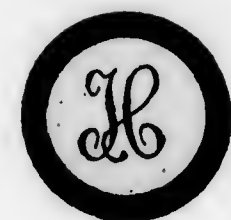
living. The doctor thought the  
lodges too near the ground.  
He ~~healed~~ <sup>healed</sup> ~~but~~ on account  
of the doctor's office in the house  
it was convenient for us and  
not expensive. The doctor has  
now, moved his office into a  
new building on the corner of  
Eighteenth and Castro St., which  
made it possible for us to move.  
We have rented a pretty sunny  
place and are very happy.

Alice and Muriel are very  
fond of grapes and they  
were such fine tasting  
ones. The flowers cheered  
us in our new home,  
which is on Page Street  
near Masonic Ave.

I am so glad we have  
found a place that we  
think will benefit the  
children's health.

We have had so much  
sickness, especially with  
Alice, when we have been

Invite the Hopper  
family. Dr Hopper. Mrs  
Hopper and the little  
H-s- and Mrs  
Donovan To come  
up here and spend  
the day ~~here~~ <sup>(the 10<sup>th</sup>)</sup> next  
Sunday. Come on the  
9 A.M. train. return  
at 5:40. p.m. say that  
~~the~~ my children are going  
east on the 10<sup>th</sup> and  
I will be very busy all  
week.



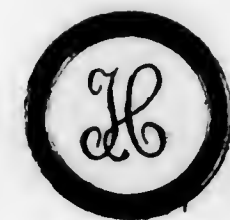
William is just the  
sweetest kind of a boy  
He is seventeen months  
old. I do hope you will  
be able to see him soon.  
I would love to take the  
children to see you  
anytime it would be  
convenient for you  
and Mama is very  
anxious to see you



Mr. Hearst and the  
children.

With many thanks  
for your kindness  
and much love from  
all the family  
I am —

Very sincerely yours,  
Alice D. Hopper.  
1456 Page Street.



My dear Mrs. Hearst:-

I just wanted  
to thank you and tell  
you what a delightful  
day we had with you  
Sunday, and how we  
enjoyed your lovely  
little grand-children.  
I think they are



beautiful and then you  
are there and ~~that~~ so  
everything.

The doctor secured his last  
last evening and I am  
returning, the one he formed,  
thus informing.

Write much love to you  
from all the family.

I am yours very sincerely,  
Alice Hopper.

Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> - 1912.

the dearest, sweetest  
and smartest children  
I have ever seen.

They are such handsome  
boys and John is a  
darling. I just love  
him. They show the  
wonderful care of  
their dear Grand-Ma.

The Hacienda is  
beautiful, I could  
never imagine  
any place more

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2/10

Ans. 13/8/14.



San Francisco, Cal.,  
Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 1914.

Dear Mrs. Hearst:-

Thank you very much for the box of grapes you sent me. They are delicious and the children enjoy them so much. It was a great treat for all of us for we don't get such fine grapes here.

Dear Mrs. Hearst, I hope I am not doing wrong and asking too much, when I



you might have.  
Mrs. McDonald, said, you had  
not been well, I do hope  
you are feeling better and  
continue to keep well.

Hoping you will excuse me  
if I have done wrong in  
bothering you, and asking  
for these clothes.

With much love from all  
the family - I am

Most sincerely yours,

#2 Ashbury Terrace. Alice Hopper.

ask you, if there are any  
of your dear little ones clothes  
left, that I might have  
to use or make over for my  
children. I do all of  
my own and the children's  
sewing and if there was  
anything of yours or of the  
childrens that I could have,  
it would help me very  
much, just now.

I would be very thankful  
and could utilize anything  
at all of the childrens

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Hopland, Mendocino Co., Cal. July 8<sup>th</sup> 1904

Mrs. Hearst

Dear friend

Helen

sent me your letter to her, a few days ago - and I want to enclose a few lines in Fred's letter to you. Thanking you for your kindness in doing for my four boys so generously and for so long a time. They appreciate the advantages you have given them and I know will make good use of all they have learned, we will try and let Walter & Fred go on with their work, and if they ever can be of any assistance to you I know they would only be to glad to have you call on them. I am proud of my boys and my daughters also.

but I am lonely since their Fathers  
death

We are kept quite busy now, as  
our house and cottages are pretty  
well filled, it is come and go all  
the season.

We are in hopes to sell the Spring  
property, then the boys will have  
something to do with, hoping this  
finds you in good health I will  
close for this time ever your  
friend

Mrs O. Howell.



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Dear Mrs. Hearst:-

Cousin Helen sent your letter to us some time ago, in which you stated that you were obliged to discontinue your assistance. The withdrawal of our allowance will, of course, make matters a little more difficult for us. But we are <sup>now</sup> better fixed financially than we were when you first gave us your generous aid, and for that reason I will be able to complete the course I have begun, although I may be obliged to take a year's

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leave of absence.

I hope you will not think that we feel put out, Mrs. Hearst, on the contrary, we owe you an immense debt of gratitude. We appreciate the great generosity and kindness that you have shown us, and the least that we can do, in my mind, is to make the greatest possible success in the work that we have undertaken, and take advantage of the opportunities that you have so kindly opened up to us.

I am desirous of having a little interview with cousin



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Helen soon, and decide  
definitely what I shall do.  
I have started to study law,  
and I am determined to  
complete it sooner or later.

Thanking you, again for  
your unbounded kindness,  
I remain, ever,

Yours most sincerely  
Fred S. Howell



Ans.  
31-1-08

Duncan Springs,  
Hopland, Cal.,  
Jan. 17/08.

My dear Mrs. Hearst:

I wish to express  
my heart thanks for the  
pretty pocket book, which  
you so kindly gave me  
Xmas. I appreciate your  
remembrance very much.

In regard to my  
college work, it will, perhaps,  
interest you to learn that  
I intend to enter Hastings  
Law College next August.

I would have taken up  
my studies there last August,  
had not trouble with help

made it impossible for me  
to leave here.

Again expressing my  
appreciation of your many  
kindnesses,

I remain,

Most gratefully,

Fred S. Howell.



Schofield Barracks H.T.  
Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> 1910

My dear Mrs Hearst:-

No doubt you have learned thru Mrs Sanborn that I was ordered from the Presidio of S. F. to this post last month.

Schofield Barracks is a regimental cavalry post (5<sup>th</sup> Cavalry) with band, and is located in a plain between two ranges of mountains, 27 miles from Honolulu, at an elevation of about 1000 feet above sea level. The hospital here has 24 beds and is well equipped with library, laboratory. The climate is mild and equable, mosquitoes few in number and not very pestilent.

It is my intention to stay in the army several years and accumulate enough funds to specialize on eye, ear, nose and throat diseases - providing I do not ~~fail~~

find a good location for general private practice. It is reported by Doctors for the large plantations on these islands receive a good salary besides opportunities for some private practice. I am investigating some of these positions at the present time.

Mother, is coming over to visit me in November and I shall be glad to have her with me, for homelike environment is much pleasanter than being a bachelor.

With many good wishes, I am  
Very sincerely  
Dr Howell.



Mr Howell sent  
a fine lot of red  
berries and Hmas greens  
for Hmas. Send a  
very nice note of  
thanks. Say that they  
came in good time  
and excellent condition.

Thanks. etc.

F. S. Howell

Thank you

and 5/11/11.

A Merry Xmas +  
A Happy New Year,  
From.

Fred S. Howell

from Duncan Spring  
Hopland, Mendocino Co.

May 6<sup>th</sup> 1912

My dear Mrs. Hearst:-

Your kind  
invitation to the musical  
at Hacienda del Pozo de  
Verona reached me too  
late Saturday afternoon for  
me to be able to be

present. Thanking you for  
your thoughtfulness of me,  
I beg to remain,

Very sincerely, Fred S. Hornell



City 9/14/12

My dear Mrs. Hearst:-

While at Hacienda  
last week I told you of my  
intention to open a law office  
on my own responsibility in  
Petaluma. This, however, is not  
the only new venture which  
I am undertaking. I omitted  
to tell you that I also intend  
to be married on the 29<sup>th</sup>  
instance. The young lady is  
Miss Marie Held, whom I have

known and associated with  
for many years.

I feel that I am undertaking  
a double responsibility, but I  
feel equal to it. I anticipate  
a struggle getting business in  
a new town. I have selected

Petaluma because I consider  
it the best business town in  
the state, for its size, & further-  
more because I have many  
acquaintances there.

Thanking you again for the  
good time that I had at the  
barbecue, I remain, sincerely - Fred S. Howell



Ans. 28/7/12  
P.W.E.  
(P.W.E.)

#1020 Dolores St. City  
June 25<sup>th</sup> '12

My dear Mrs. Harriet:-

Miss. Held &

I will be married at The Palace  
Hotel on Saturday, the 29<sup>th</sup>

met. at 1:15 P.M. in Room A.

The wedding will be informal,  
and there will be a little  
wedding breakfast immediately  
after the ceremony. We would  
be delighted to have you present.

Yours very sincerely

A. S. W. P.

Frank S. Howell

Handwritten musical notation on four staves, featuring various notes, rests, and clefs.

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SANDRIDGE HOUSE,  
ASCOT,  
BERKS.

Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> 1908

Dear Madam.

Mrs. Montney-Jephson has  
been trying to write for herself.  
but she is so shattered by her  
great loss that she is quite  
unable - at the present time -  
to write any letters. and  
she desires me to say how much  
she appreciates your heart-felt  
sympathy and kind thought  
of her.

Mrs. Montney-Jephson had  
so much improved during the last



few months. that there was every  
hope of his recovery. but his  
heart suddenly failed.

Wm. Montague. Jephson is not

strong enough to make any  
plans for the future. she will

however. remain here for an  
indefinite period. she would

be very glad to hear from  
you. and will herself write  
when she is feeling stronger.

Yours truly

R. Green Secy

Wm. Montague Jephson

Answer left hand

TELEGRAMS, WINKFIELD.  
TELEPHONE, 307 ASCOT.

December 31<sup>st</sup> / 12.

KINGSMEAD,  
WINDSOR FOREST.

Dear Mr. Clark,

I am writing  
to acknowledge your  
cable from Mr.  
Hearse, but as I  
had written to  
Mr. Hearse only  
a week before.



I will wait until  
I hear from her  
again. Hoping any  
Christmas present  
for my boy -  
He had some  
illness in our  
house last year,  
immediately after

Christmas, so that  
the cheque which  
Mr. & Mrs. Searey  
sent for my boy's  
Christmas was never  
drawn, which  
I have explained  
to Mr. & Mrs. Searey.  
Will you  
forgive me  
Yours truly  
Anna Whitley - [unclear]

surprised to see the  
Bishop of Otago & Mr.  
Alexander and all  
again in England.  
They have come over  
to visit the Ministers  
again for a short time  
this season. I hope  
you will forgive the  
somewhat appearance  
of my letter as though  
I have a supply too

Hotel Brighton  
May 31<sup>st</sup>



My dear Mr. Hearst,  
I intended to  
write you while we  
were in London but we  
stayed there so short a  
time that very much  
remained to be said.  
I suppose mother has  
written you that we had  
a delightful crossing



and had some very  
pleasant people on  
board. I suppose you  
remember Mr. Burnett,  
Mr. Cornell's cousin. I saw  
where we met in Washington  
this winter and who lives  
with Mr. Seymour Butler.  
Well, fancy my surprise  
to see him with Mr. & Mrs.  
Sara Bee. He was  
extremely nice to us

and is altogether very  
agreeable. Mr. Sullivan  
also was most kind  
and amused me with  
of the time by discussing  
his fiancé etc. etc.  
Our trip altogether was  
very jolly and we were  
glad to have  
it come to an end.  
He found Maggie looking  
very well and is doing  
also. He was greatly







sure you would enjoy  
yourself immensely.

I mean to look up in  
a few days all about  
the trip to Norway and  
Sweden. So many people  
are giving their  
summer resort also to  
Russia. We must not  
to the Exhibition for  
the first time last night  
to see the illuminations.

We are going out tomorrow  
morning to systematically  
see things for the  
morning is about the  
only time we do  
not get in a fearful  
crowd. I suppose you  
have already heard  
of Maria's safe arrival.  
You don't know how  
often I think of you all  
and the happy times



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N° 701.



Your address and asked  
me to put it down for  
him - I can't begin to  
tell you how badly I  
have felt about having  
completely forgotten his  
letter - And what must  
you have thought of  
our silence?

I am sure you must

ASCOT 365.

December 21<sup>st</sup> / 15-

HANOVER HOUSE,  
ASCOT.

Dear Mr. Neave,

I am thinking of  
you so much tonight,  
with the blessed Christmas  
time so near, and my  
heart and thoughts  
constantly turning back  
to the few deeply  
loved friends that

I still possess in the  
dear home land -

And I want to tell you  
piece of all, that I was  
suddenly surprised, when  
a few weeks ago, a drawer  
of a writing table in  
Sumner's little bedroom  
was cleared, that we  
to find a sweet little

letter to you, completely  
finished, that he had  
written to thank you  
for your Christmas  
present last year -

And I then remem-  
bered that it was  
entirely a mistake -  
The child had said  
he could not write



of my life - I knew that  
you intended to have the  
money spent for a pony  
and cart, but dear Mr.  
Hearst, I was just to -  
in three days  
quitting & see, that  
we should be obliged  
to give up our home,  
and in the Spring  
the Horn came, and

ASCOT 365.

HANOVER HOUSE,  
ASCOT.

have felt there was some  
mistake, dear Mr. Hearst,  
and that neither the  
dear child, or this old  
child you have known  
so long, had any lack  
of love for you in our  
hearts, or any lack of  
tender appreciation.

of all your kindness and  
generosity. I can never  
thank you enough, dear  
Wm. Hearst, for all your  
sweet thought of Leonard,  
but your love of us both  
is just one of the shining  
joys and comforts in  
my lonely life -

When your beautiful

present reached me two  
years ago, I just read  
it over and cried, & then  
that you cared & gave  
my boy so much pleasure.  
And it was not what you  
had given him, dear,  
but for the love that  
was behind it all,  
and that has a deeper  
meaning every year



longer yet -

My life is full of strain  
and anxiety, and I am  
learning constantly to do  
without many things that  
I had always thought  
absolutely necessary, but  
I am sure that God  
thought I needed  
just this very lesson,  
and when the pain

ASCOT 365.

HANOVER HOUSE,  
ASCOT.

We have never had a  
house since -

We are living in lodgings,  
in a little village cottage,  
of only a few small  
rooms, and we have  
had to give up our  
horses, so I could  
not do exactly as

I know you would wish -

I have a horse from  
the Race Course Stables  
here in Ascutt, and  
all your presents &  
saddles are used for  
his riding - Edmund  
understands that God-  
father gives him all  
his rides and it will

be a beautiful remembrance  
for him all his life -

I should always have  
loved to have you given  
him one great, definite  
advantage of that kind,  
but your loving thought  
has been a tender  
feeling one, because  
I am afraid I could  
not afford it - any



day. Every one will always  
say he looks just like  
me now, but that  
light in his face is  
"mine". I could only  
repeat that, & any one  
who loves me as much  
as you do, but I think  
it is true, he has  
much of my expression  
and temperament.

ASCOT 365.

HANOVER HOUSE,  
ASCOT.

He has given me the  
great and wonderful  
pleasure of my beloved  
little Leonard -

How I long to have you  
know him! He is such  
a companionable man, and  
often asks me about  
you and loves to hear

We talk about the people  
we come at home -

He is very inventive and so  
imaginative that he always  
understands when only a  
word is spoken -

He adores Mother and  
is the joy of her life -

I actually don't know  
him she could live with  
out him - She just

craves the mother for the  
holidays & comes home  
again - He came home  
last week, looking so well  
and strong, the living  
image of his father  
physically, but his  
character is a blend  
of us both -

In Montague's last  
illness, he would often



here in Ascot. The work  
four hours at a stretch  
making all sorts of sur-  
gical appliances for  
the wounded. And you  
wouldn't believe it,

but I am considered  
one of our most skilled  
workers! The steady  
work tired me frightfully  
at first, but now I am

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HANOVER HOUSE,  
ASCOT.

I must forgive me for  
talking of my demands so  
much, but I want you to  
feel that he belongs a little  
to you also -

I would be much  
saddened if you could  
see Mother now, she  
is so very, very frail,

and she has so few material  
things & help her towards  
health or happiness -  
She is so wonderfully brave  
and uncomplaining, but  
her life is very hard -  
indeed - It was a great  
honour to be obliged to give  
up the carriage, for  
she cannot walk much  
now, and it means

being confined to small  
rooms, and when I am  
out, being much alone -  
And in these sorrowful  
days all young women  
are at work, and as we  
have any time even I  
go, and see their  
friends - I work  
regularly four days  
a week at our Hospital



And the thought of them  
brings rest to me now -  
I shall never forget how  
sweet and good you were  
to me, and I was happy  
my moments of the  
time -

I must say good-bye  
now for this year -

May God bless you  
dear friend, in all

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HANOVER HOUSE,  
ASCOT.

quite used to it, and  
it is a great comfort  
to feel at work in these  
dark days, with so much  
pain and suffering  
all around us -

Mother has just put  
down her knitting, she  
knits winter after winter

for the soldiers, and has  
gone & led, leaving a  
very tender, loving message  
for you. We so often talk  
about you, and we love  
& think you have Nell's  
trips & fill your days  
with joy and hope  
for the future -

I hope they are all  
well and will too.

and that your Christmas  
will have no special  
cars or anxieties &  
war its peace -

I often shut my eyes  
and think of the days  
with you at the Hacienda.  
They were the only days  
of complete rest and  
change that I have  
had for many years -



ASCOT 365.

HANOVER HOUSE,  
ASCOT.

Your ways, Am and  
in all the days to  
come - Don't think  
of us as covetous,  
but as having many  
Hesings, and I  
know you will un-  
derstand, when I

Mrs. Montague-Jephson  
1915

say that by letter is  
just for you, and  
that I should not  
like to have our  
affairs mentioned  
in California, but  
just turn by letter  
when you have read  
it. Goodnight then.

Wm. Hearst, with a  
heart full of love  
from your devoted  
son -  
William -



the newspaper reports  
here, I am sure you  
would find time to  
send us a few words  
if nothing more.  
And how are you  
yourself? I trust all  
this strain is not too  
much for your strength.  
For you must take  
good care of your  
health for those that

February 27<sup>th</sup>.  
1105 TAYLOR STREET,

My dear Mr. Hewitt,  
The papers this  
evening have such  
very sad news of  
Mr. Hewitt's condition  
that, as mamma &  
not well and unable  
to write tonight,  
I feel I must do  
and you a few

times just to let you  
know how much  
we are to think he  
should be here again  
and how much we  
think for you always  
my dear friend in  
these days of so  
much anxiety and  
trouble. Mamma  
has sent you a

telegram tonight  
and I hope tomorrow  
he may have come  
receiving news from  
you. I know it is  
a great deal to ask  
you & wife to do,  
as you must be  
so worried and tired  
with all you have  
to do, but if you  
have been contradictory



Must be a great  
pleasure and comfort  
to have them with  
you. But I must  
say goodbye. Always  
with a heart full  
of love and sympathy  
with all your happiness  
in every way and a  
hope that you some  
times think of your  
little girl who is so  
far away. Always  
75  
Anna

1105 TAYLOR STREET,

Love you. Mom & Dick  
I could see you tonight  
and give you the  
big kiss! We are  
so much in our  
thoughts and we  
have heard so little  
of you for a long  
time. Papa is  
not in New Mexico  
and Mamma and

I am bringing me in  
our usual quick  
way. The house  
seems so lonely  
when he is not here,  
but we however expect  
him back again  
very shortly. I am  
reading and practicing  
quite a little this  
winter and when  
we are together  
again I hope

to play for you  
much better than  
I ever did in the  
old days of my  
piano playing.

I suppose of course  
Lennie Sullivan and  
Louise Bayard are  
with you and if so  
please give them  
my love. The girls  
are both as devoted  
to you that it



and I want to feel that the  
 child has some one on his  
 mother's side who has known  
 him from his childhood, a dear  
 friend whom I have known  
 and cared for as far back as  
 memory reaches in child land  
 and whom I know will always  
 care for him not only for his own  
 sake but for mine as well.  
 His name is to be Desmond Fitzgerald

About god-mother to  
 Desmond Fitzgerald

My dear Mr. Keane,  
 I am still glad in  
 my task and only have the  
 permission of a dragon of a  
 nurse, I write you a few  
 lines. The first that I have  
 written since the dear baby  
 arrived, for I want you  
 to know more  
 about him  
 than I have  
 the strength  
 to say.  
 89 Cadogan Place  
 Dublin  
 I shall be so  
 happy to see you  
 again. With much love  
 Yours  
 Arthur



I know how much we are  
thinking of you and how glad  
we are to hear as the days go on  
that your operation has been so  
successful. I am so afraid  
you will not take enough  
care of yourself as you grow  
better, and I wish for you  
you take as well as self-pity.  
That you would decide to  
spend some time in England

before attempting the long  
journey back to California.  
I am writing to you particularly  
to urge to tell you, dear friend,  
that I want you to be our  
boys' Godmother. Montezuma's  
old cousin John Hallen. Mrs.  
Jefferson. Always will be the other  
Godmother. I always feel that  
it is a very sweet and sacred tie



M<sup>rs</sup> Addison Head

requests the honour of

Mr. Mounteney's

presence at the marriage of her daughter

Anna

with

Mr. A. J. Mounteney-Jephson,

at the Church of St. Michael & All Angels,

Sunninghill, Ascot,

on Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 2.30 o'clock.

and afterwards at The Berystede.

The Berystede,

Ascot.

R.S.V.P.

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To Mrs Hearst

with the Compliments of

Mr. Robert U. Johnson

157 East 36th Street.

tions any more than to a shoemaker's control of the pair of shoes which he makes. The man who earns his living by his brain asks only the same fair play that is given to the man who earns his living by his hands. A domestic copyright to the writer of a history of the United States, or an international copyright to the writer of a history of England, debars no other author from writing a history of either country; it does not grant a "monopoly." The author asks only payment for the service he has done, and not for any restriction of the work of others; in fact, one reason for paying him is that it encourages others to write. Every American citizen has a practical interest in this reform. We desire to impress upon Congress the fact that the public opinion of intelligent readers is in its favor. We ask each reader to do his part, either by joining the League, which welcomes readers as well as writers of books, or by signifying to its Secretary his willingness to sign the memorial for international copyright, or still better by writing at once to his Senators and Representatives in Congress urging them to vote for such a measure. The League appeals to the honor, the patriotism, and the business common-sense of American readers in behalf of international copyright, and it believes that such an appeal will not be heard in vain by the American people.

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March 6.

P.S. My dear Mrs. Hearst: I wrote this letter & then my heart failed me and I thought it would be presumption on my part and so I asked Mrs. Anthony's impression of whether it would be agreeable to you to see the literary fellows. I have your telegram to her today.

Saturday evening is the one most convenient. If you could make it an occasion of bringing together Senators and Members to meet the authors it would awaken great interest in the cause, & be a memorable evening. It would give the authors a chance to make themselves known to those who know them not and don't understand the question.

I am personally and officially very grateful to you for your interest in this matter and the kindness that prompts your cordial telegram. I will speak to authors at once and write you tomorrow in full.

Very Sincerely, R. R. Johnson.

157 E. 36<sup>th</sup> St. New York,  
March 4, 1888.

My dear Mrs. Hearst:

I remember your kind offer to be of assistance in the matter of the Ladies Auxiliary Committee in aid of the readings by Authors, to be given at the Congregational Church Washington, Monday evening March 19<sup>th</sup> and Saturday afternoon March 17<sup>th</sup>. I am not on the Subcommittee in charge of the readings, (having begged off on the score of previous services) but I am asked to make up this committee and send out the formal invitations to the ladies to thus testify their interest in the cause of international copyright which is the cause of American literature. I have put your name down first on the list - on the strength of what you said

In order to get your help  
in the matter I inclose a  
list of those to whom we have  
thought of sending invitations.  
Will you kindly (and confidentially)  
tell me of any desirable additions  
or omissions. We wish of course  
to have an influential list and  
not to seem invidious. The Com-  
mittee will have honorary one with no  
duty except to interest Washington  
people in the readings, and thus  
in the general subject of international  
copyright. I inclose also a pro-  
gramme of the New York readings  
and a list of the Washington read-  
ers.

I may say before concluding  
that most of these gentlemen will  
be in Washington on Saturday evening  
the 17<sup>th</sup> and if you would like to  
be at home to them then I might ar-  
range to bring them to you, or most of  
them, if you would kindly permit me  
to, and as little or as much might be  
made of the evening as you might desire.

With kind regards, in which Mrs.  
Johnson joins, Very sincerely yours,  
R. U. Johnson.

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When we had the pleasure  
of seeing you. I am now  
much in need of guidance in  
regard to the matter, desiring to  
avoid any social snarls into which  
one unacquainted with Washington  
usages might be involved. We  
specially wish to avoid the  
charge of desiring to use the  
family influence of Senators and  
Representatives to commit them to  
the cause, which is strong in it.  
self and needs only to be pro-  
claimed to be recognized. We shall  
therefore probably include on the Com-  
mittee only such ladies as are either  
themselves strongly interested or whose  
husbands in Congress are particularly  
friendly. No such consideration of  
delicacy would obtain in the case of  
the wives of Cabinet ministers or of  
Justices of the Supreme Court. As  
to Mrs. Cleveland I do not know  
what her reason, rule in such  
matters may be. The President  
is committed to the reform by his  
message of a year ago, but we should  
like to avoid transgressing his wife's  
custom.



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Saturday Afternoon, March 17, 1888, at 3 o'clock

AUTHORS' READINGS

IN AID OF

The American Copyright League

UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF

EDMUND CLARENCE STEDMAN

Vice-President of the League

AND UNDER THE BUSINESS DIRECTION OF MR. A. M. PALMER

## Programme

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1. Edmund Clarence Stedman

Introductory Address

2. Edward Eggleston

A Bold Stroke for a Horse  
(An unpublished chapter from "The Graysons")

3. William Dean Howells

Scene from "The Minister's Charge"

## Programme

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4. Richard Watson Gilder

*a.* On the Life-Mask of Abraham Lincoln  
*b.* "The Burial of Grant"

5. Charles Dudley Warner

"A Fight with a Trout"

6. H. C. Bunner

The Reformed Exhorter  
(Unpublished)

7. J. Whitcomb Riley

Dialect Poems



Senator and Mrs. Hearst

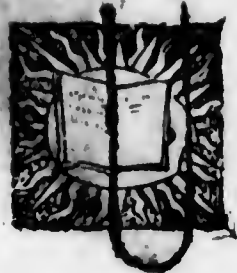
request the pleasure of your Company  
on Saturday evening, March 17<sup>th</sup> at <sup>eight?</sup> nine o'clock  
to meet

Mr. Edmund Clarence Stedman  
Vice-President of the American Copyright League

Mr. Hjalmar Hjorth Boyesen    Mr. H. C. Bunner  
Mr. Samuel L. Clemens ("Mark Twain")    Mr. Edward Eggleston  
Mr. Richard Watson Gilder    Mr. W. D. Howells  
Mr. Richard M. Johnston    Mr. Thomas Nelson Page  
Mr. James Whitcomb Riley    Mr. Frank R. Stockton  
Mr. Charles Dudley Warner

— Massachusetts Ave.

or) to meet the <sup>authors?</sup> gentlemen who are  
to take part in the Readings in aid  
of International Copyright:  
[inserting above names]



EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT  
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March 14.

Wednesday

Dear Mr. Hearst:

We are all deploring the unfortunate effect which the Great Storm is likely to have upon our audiences at Washington. There is even a chance that the road may not be clear by Friday. Of course if we can't come Friday the Saturday readings will be given up, but we shall use every effort to come even if there are but six people in the audience - so as to be with you. The arrangement is now for all to come on the train that leaves here at 3:40 Friday afternoon. If we can't get there in time for the Saturday readings we will try to have them Tuesday afternoon instead.

R. W. Johnson

There is no doubt about Monday evening, I think.

So I hope you will proceed on the assumption that the authors will keep their engagement with the public and with you, and yet <sup>you</sup> will bear in mind the possibility of a disappointment, for even though this letter gets through something may happen to keep us.

The streets of New York are still well-nigh impassible. No mails have been received since Monday morning. Telegraphic communication is interrupted everywhere. I have no answer to telegrams to Washington & to Mrs. Anthony to Boston inquirer to come to us for Thursday night & to go down with the authors Friday afternoon.

I will telegraph you today if possible. What a condition of uncertainty you must be in.  
Very sincerely & hopefully, R. W. Johnson



Dear Mrs. Hearst:

Mrs. Johnson and I are really very anxious to hear of the Senator's condition, which we hope is improved since your telegram came. Will you kindly let us have a line when you can conveniently do so.

We were in hopes you would be able to be with us last Wednesday, though the time was short in which to invite friends. Shall you not be here and will you not come to us next Wednesday (April 4<sup>th</sup>). If there is a fair prospect of our having such good fortune, will you kindly telegraph me tomorrow so that we may send out the invitations Saturday night. It would give us great pleasure to have you meet our friends, many of whom are already your friends.

12. 11. 1891

We made \$1000. clear by  
the reading, under professional  
management, against \$4200. in  
New York under my amateur su-  
pervision. But we didn't go for  
the money so much as for the in-  
fluence and we feel we've been  
successful and ~~that~~ a large part  
of our success is due to you.

With Mrs. Johnson's kindest regards,

Very Sincerely yours,

R. W. Johnson.

157 E. 36<sup>th</sup> St.,

New York,

March 30. [1888?]

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157 East 36<sup>th</sup> St  
New York

April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1888.

My dear Mrs. Hearst:

We have learned with much pleasure of Senator Hearst's improved condition both for his sake and because it offers us a chance of seeing you again.

As you feel pretty confident of being here on the 11<sup>th</sup> we have taken the liberty of asking our friends to meet you on that evening at nine o'clock. It is Mrs. Johnson's birthday and we hope nothing will occur to keep you from us. Kindly drop us

a line to say that you  
approve of our rashness.

We have been so closely  
occupied since returning from  
Washington that we have not  
had time to write to Mrs.  
Anthony to recount the delights  
of the trip. Mrs. Johnson  
and our aunt have both been  
ill and the details of every  
day duties have never seemed  
so numerous or so pressing.  
I wish it were possible for  
us to have Mrs. Anthony  
and Clara here on the 11<sup>th</sup>  
but although we shall write  
them I fear they will not be  
able to come. With Mrs. Johnson  
kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

R. W. Johnson.

Mrs. Jack Gooden was the happy  
chooser of a charming picture by  
is the Exhibition of the Academy (just opened)  
and which is the talk of the artists and the critics.  
You will see it next week. The Exhibition is  
an unusually fine one.



Welcker's  
6 P.M.

157 EAST THIRTY-SIXTH STREET.

Feb. 4, 1889.

Dear Mr. Hearst;

The opposition to the  
Consideration of the Copy-  
right Bill crumbled to  
pieces this morning, with the  
exception of a few men, in-  
cluding Payson of Illinois  
who filibustered - ostensibly  
against the Pacific Funding  
Bill, but also against us  
(He made contradictory state-  
ments on the latter point).  
We have lost our day with  
three-fourths of the House for  
the Bill. I wish there were  
a more dignified end of the  
struggle - for end it seems

to be, though we shall have a chance during the last six days.

I return tomorrow morning on "the Limited" and as I am well-nigh exhausted by the continuous work of these days, and as you are not to be at home tonight I fear I shall have to take leave of you by autograph rather than in person. Were I my own master, I should have come to see you today to give you this message from Mrs. Johnson received this morning.

She desires to know if you will remain over Sunday in New York - as she hopes you will - so that she may arrange an afternoon tea, with a few people. She

would like also to take the party on Friday night to Mrs. Silder's first reception in her new house - or Mr. Silder's birthday. Or if you are not to stay over Sunday she would be glad to arrange a small tea on some other afternoon. Will you not kindly drop her a note or, better, send her a telegram.

My fatigue tonight is aggravated by loss of sleep and by the disgust I feel at the Cornhill situation.

Will you kindly say goodbye for me to Mrs. Mead and the young ladies and an revoir bientôt! to those whom we are to have the pleasure of seeing in 48 hours, in evening? (Mrs. Mills comes, though I believe she is joined to her father) - I leave Sunday morning R. W. Johnson.



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March 20,  
1890.

Dear Mrs. Hearst:

I go to Washington  
today on Copyright, Yemite  
and other business and to dine  
tomorrow evening at Mrs. Cabell's  
with Thomas Nelson Page.

I shall be busy until  
the afternoon of tomorrow but I  
should like very much to see  
you. (When I last called you were  
away). I shall be at the Normandie  
and should be glad to learn there  
that you could spare an hour in the  
afternoon (before six) when we could  
have a quiet talk about the best  
thing to do in the matter of the Yemite  
Extension bill.

Very sincerely yours,

R. B. Johnson.

157 EAST THIRTY-SIXTH STREET.

May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1890.

Dear Mrs. Hearst;

— There will be a very disappointed family at 157 East 36<sup>th</sup> St. tomorrow if we do not hear how you are and a still more disappointed family if we hear that you are not much improved. I own to much solicitude on your account, for during my visit I felt that you were keeping up on our account. I understand now what exacting burdens Washington life lays upon hostesses and we hope that you will give yourself a respite from them. —



"Far from the madding world's ignoble strife".

I send Miss Bayard her Monument verses today. She will of course show them to you all, as they are meant for general consumption. The "Illinois Farmer on Copyright" is completed and has gone to the press. If printed, I will send you a copy. For the present I desire the authorship to be perdu. I believe Mr. Hearst will appreciate the points, especially if he knows anything of Payson. His sense of humor is one of his strong points.

We continue to get hopeful reports from the many friends of the Copyright Bill who are hard at work all over the country. I really think we shall carry it on the vote to reconsider. I have written to California friends to help us with the members from your state. The Call had an article against us the other day, and the enemy is hard at work to beat us again.

With the most pleasant memories of 1400 New Hampshire Avenue and of your hospitality, I am, with kind remembrance to Senator Hearst, and to Miss Tiddle,

Very sincerely yours,

R. W. Johnson.

157 EAST THIRTY-SIXTH STREET.

Dear Mrs Hears :  
Will you permit  
me to introduce the  
Misses Aus der Ohe,  
our friends, who are visit-  
ing San Francisco for  
the first time, and whom  
I am sure you will be  
glad to meet. I need say  
nothing of the reputation  
of Miss Adèle, which  
is known to you. I hope  
it will be appreciated in



San Francisco where  
there is so much  
musical opinion and  
cultivation.

Very sincerely yours,

R. W. Johnson

October 27<sup>th</sup>.  
1890.

Oct. 21, 1895

327 LEXINGTON AVENUE.

New York.

Dear & Sweet Mrs.  
Anthony:

Katharine wrote  
promptly to Mr. Bagby  
in the line of your in-  
quiries but he must be  
still in Europe for he  
has not replied. Hence the  
delay in this letter.  
The only teacher of  
the sort of whom we know  
is Miss Maud Morgan  
of 371 Manhattan Avenue  
New York City. Our friend  
Mr. Achille Errani, who taught

Anthony. Can you is Grandma Reed?  
and does Henrietta wear bloomers and a  
red sweater and ride a man's bicycle as a  
lately. Returns America - Parisienne both and to  
sustenance does? My love to them both and to  
Elena - may her children never be as saucy  
to her as she was before she settled down (Mrs.  
at Elena real awful now! Jimmy!) Now is Rob-  
ert really ill? Does he go again to Europe? November 7  
and I am already in full harness but I  
like it and that makes things easier. He will  
be gone till June.  
Agnes's heart is nearly broken and the marriage  
of her best friend (at 18), who has gone to live in Wash-  
ington. So we are unusually nice to her. It is her first  
sister. I write at his request but glad of the chance to send  
you my love. Sincerely yours, R. N. Johnston.



Mima Hanch Emma Thurs-  
by and Agnes Huntington  
ought to be satisfactory as  
a vocal teacher. These are  
the best we can hear of  
out of course New York is  
full of others. Mr. Evans's  
address is 118 East 26<sup>th</sup> St.  
He takes only pupils of decid-  
ed talent.

Katharine is asleep in  
this room, after her labors  
of the day, which have been  
many and arduous as we  
are not only not quite set-  
tled (with new Swedish servants  
— two only so far) but we are  
having my room made into  
a library, quite made over,  
paper, paint, floor and mantel.

I have come to the conclusion that  
she has a great deal of executive ability  
She is in good health and Agnes is in  
forming condition. I am a biggist in good  
and regular standing, and never weighed so much.

We miss the quiet of Stockholm  
as we have a new cable  
in this street which makes noise. They say it  
will quiet down after a lifetime or two of  
bustle. Meantime we have to reinforce our  
peace of mind by thinking of the country and  
of your serenity. Off with you now never.

There another summer has passed and  
I have only seen the last shores of the



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Jardin d'Hiver

January 22,  
1903

Dear Mr. Tully:

I have received  
your letter with an  
hour and rejoice that you  
have received such a magnifi-  
cent offer for "The Ploughwoman"  
and I heartily wish you suc-  
cess with it — first of all, a liter-  
ary success and then a popular one.

R. U. Johnson

As you know, I have had  
and still have confidence in your  
career in letters and you leave  
the Century Co. with my blessing and  
I believe with the good wishes of my  
associates. (I am presuming that Mr. Scott  
has given you to understand that he will not do as well  
by you as the new publisher.)  
I am of course naturally  
much disappointed that we are not to  
reap where we have sown. But  
sentimental considerations must not  
be allowed to stand in the way  
of practical ones of such importance  
as those you recount, and you have  
given us — our publishers at least —  
a chance to share the confidence which  
the Associate Editor of the Century has  
felt in you. I only wish you had  
spoken frankly to Mr. Gilder —  
as frankly as to me. I shall con-  
sider the terms you mention entirely con-  
fidential — unless you will let me in-  
clude my son, at least to the extent  
of giving me the name of your publish-  
er. He is in much the same position  
with a story which he wishes to place se-  
rially. Please drop me a line to the care of



John Munroe & Co I have scribble Paris. Meanwhile  
ought you not to let Mr. Scott know the situation, if you have not already.

I accept with affection and thanks your offer to subscribe  
the "Plymouth" to me and consider myself very much complimented  
thereby. At I can be of any sort of use to you in conjunction  
with your first novel, don't hesitate to command me. My interest  
in your work has a longer history than our own financial ~~interests~~  
relation to books. I care for it because it is good and because  
I believe it will ~~benefit~~ be better. I am interested in the per-  
formance more than in the money taken at the gate.

Mrs. Johna joins me in all good wishes to you  
and Mr. Tully and in our kindest remembrances to Mrs.  
Harriet if she is still there.

Respectfully yours  
R. W. Johnson.

I expect to be at home about the  
middle of April.

John Munroe & Co. 7 rue Scribe Paris. Medu time  
ought you not to let Mr. Scott know the situation, if you have not already.

I accept with appreciation and thanks your offer to inscribe  
"The Ploughman" to me and consider myself very much complimented  
thereby. If I can be of any sort of use to you in conjunction  
with your first novel, don't hesitate to command me. My interest  
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Hearst if she is still there.

Faithfully yours,  
R. U. Johnson.

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August 24th, 1904

Dear Mrs. Hearst:

When you last lunched with us, if I mistake not you said that you would like to keep run of the negotiations for the sale of Mr. De Monvel's "Jeanne d'Arc" water colors. This being the case I want to say to you that the expenses of the Metropolitan Museum in other directions - for the Dino collection of armor, etc. - make it improbable that they will be able to buy this collection. Mr. De Monvel is very desirous that it should be disposed of to some museum where it will be kept in its integrity. I think the price is very low. The Century pays from \$100 to \$150 for an ordinary black-and-white drawing by an everyday illustrator, while here are these beautiful water-colors by a master (who is likely to do very little more work), at slightly over \$200 each. I feel like putting one of my grandchildren in pawn and buying the collection myself.

Will you kindly drop me a line as I shall not try to dispose of the collection elsewhere until I hear what your inclination is.

We are all very much shocked to hear of Mrs. Anthony's narrow escape from death.

I am, indeed, my dear Mrs. Hearst, always with regard,

Faithfully yours

*R. U. Johnson.*

Mrs. Phebe Hearst  
c/o Mrs. Clara R. Anthony,  
1 Oxford St. Fairhaven, Mass.

Robert Woodward Johnson

Thank him - Rec'd L. in Par. when  
unable to answer. Hope pardon  
card & intro. Did not send as  
could not consider the pchs -  
or see the gentleman but - Hope if  
he & Mrs. J. come abt. before I  
ret. with you - Hope they will  
let me know. Thinking of taking  
a run, Par. -

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1, Eg. - 2, Jan. Address

Ans'd  
Dec. ? - 1904



New York,  
January 15.  
1905.

327 LEXINGTON AVENUE.

My dear Mr. Hearst:

I received a few days ago your very interesting letter from Rome which made Mr. Johnson and me homesick. We have been calculating on going to Italy in March — and may yet — but just now the prospect is not very bright. The cares of this world and the conscientiousness of — a moderate income unike to make it difficult. As to the latter we have been doing over our house at considerably greater outlay than we had at first expect.

"Oh! that dreadful  
P.M. Johnson! What  
a day! I don't know  
how I'm engaged in writing!"

Isn't this a fine list? The next eight <sup>just selected</sup> are equally distinguished and representative and the scheme, in which I have been the prime mover, is likely to give us an Academy of which America may be proud. Heaven knows there is work enough for it to do: to "crown" works in letters and the arts; to give and no minor prizes; to arrange conferences; to put the accent of approval upon work of artistic quality as against work merely of technical value; to receive distinguished foreigners in a dignified & festive fashion; and in many other ways to hold up the highest standards. I believe in years to come this body will be an inspiring and noble institution and a great influence in our development.

To do its work the Academy (or the Institute from which it is recruited) must have a large endowment — \$1,000,000, and there is hope that Mr. Carnegie, who has given largely to everything except literature, will come to the front. In fact he has once expressed a leaning toward a project to endow the Institute. Mr. Tsoisier the Secretary of the French Academy told me that there was more money than they knew what to do with. Of course we must have a beautiful little building (a Rome gives dignity and influence) and a salary for the Permanent Secretary who will be the

ed to incur and are not quite so free, just yet; as to the former, the cares of the world, some of them cannot be put aside just now, though I am entitled to a good long vacation as I have had but one day of rest (Sundays and holidays excepted) in sixteen months and but thirteen days in twenty-one months since my return from Europe. This long service has been due to Mr. Elder's illness of nearly a year, succeeded by that of Mr. Buck of two months, resulting in an operation for mastoiditis. Happily both gentlemen are now in fine health, as for that matter so am I. Possibly if some things turn out well and others do not demand too much time we may get off by April 1. in which case we shall of course let you know in hope of falling in with you in Italy, where we shall spend most of the time.

Two things which are holding me here are, first, the organization here of a body of distinguished men to be called the Academy of Arts and Letters and to have somewhat the same standing there as the Académie in France. It is to be made up of thirty men out of the National Institute of Arts and Letters, founded by the Académie Française. As Secretary of the Institute I have been chosen. Preliminary Secretary of the Academy until it is organized. The thirty are selected thus: the first seven by vote of the Institute; they to choose the next eight, those fifteen to choose the next five, those twenty to select the last ten. So there is distributed responsibility throughout. The first seven I may tell you confidentially are:

Painting - John de Farge  
Sculpture - Saint Gaudens  
Music - Edward MacDowell

Literature:  
 Demerutis,  
 Howells,  
 Steadman,  
 Hays



"very pulse of the machine"  
and must give the bulk of his  
time to it; funds for prizes, etc  
etc, etc.

It is the work in connection  
with the organization of this import-  
ant body that is now occupying  
all my spare time & that make  
it doubtful whether I can get off  
to my beloved Italy where I wish to  
write a lot of verse for a new book  
"Poems of Italy".

Another idea of mine which  
is nearly worked out is the purchase  
of the Keats House on the Spanish Stairs  
in Rome (where the poet died, you know) &  
the making there a memorial library of  
Keats' & Shelley's works with portraits,  
autographs &c. the Trustees to have  
perpetual oversight of the graves of the poets  
— for Keats' is always in danger of removal.

We soft into the house so late this season that we  
have been doing little. On my birthday Jan. 12 we had a mus-  
ical soiree and our other playing superbly, including for our con-  
tribution — composition, the other means. Our friends all seemed  
pleased with the house which is only now paint and paper in the  
same way as before.

I have talked so much about my father and my family that I  
use little space to thank you for your letter and for the consideration  
you gave the memorial matter which is now before the Philological Academy.  
I do want that election for America: so I'm at work in our interest as  
well as his. What a delight it will be to you to see the results  
of your Egyptian Expedition! You certainly have done more than your  
share for California & Washington and for Science, and have given happi-  
ness to so many that you must be a very happy woman. What you think  
of us think of us as caring for you for yourself alone. We are sorry to  
hear that you have been ill. May the restful Nile minister to you  
and restore you wholly. Some sleepy day on your balcony, perhaps you will  
have time to describe this glorious letter. Mrs. Johnson sends her love  
and good wishes for the rest of the year, with mine. I am, my dear Mrs. Keats, faithfully yours  
R. B. Johnson.



We have found a fairy god-  
father in Mr. Plowden, the Eng-  
lish banker in Rome, who will  
finance the project as soon as the  
complicated negotiations for the transfer  
of the house are completed, taking his  
money from the funds, of which more than  
half has been raised by several <sup>private</sup> sub-  
scription in London, Rome & chiefly America.  
We are keeping the affair out of the papers  
for fear the price of the house 75,000 francs  
will be raised. Mr. Gay is the Roman  
Secretary (nephew of Walter Gay the artist) and  
the British Embassy is helping us. I am  
the Secy of the America Committee, and  
this work has kept me here and will  
still keep me.

And now to the family news.  
Happily we are all well: Mrs. Johnson,  
the Owens, and the Hollands. Agnes, by  
the most conscientious care of herself  
is looking better than for four years  
and is bubbling over with happiness and  
high spirits. I never see her with your

dear little wedding present without benediction when you  
for your kindness to her. She and "Frank" have a great  
deal of music together, and some day when you return will give  
you an evening of their duets if you'll accept it. Hollander has  
now been advanced to a share in the profits of the Canine and  
Heston's firm - not too burdensome! and last year built a house  
on his own account.

Owen and his wife and lovely babies are living at  
Ridgefield, Conn. where they spent the summer with us. He  
is engaged on a third novel, the second "In the Name of Liberty",  
a story of the Terror, being published this week of the Century.  
So I will send you a copy when I go to the office tomorrow.  
Of his of course, the violence of those bloody times, but it is a  
decided advance on "Arrows of the Almighty" more rapid dramatic  
and mature. We are hoping that it will be greatly liked as  
a success with his second book would be a great advance in his career.  
Arrows" sold 8000 copies without advertising - very good when I tell you that  
1500 is the average sale for a first novel.



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August 31st, 1904.

Mrs. Clara R. Anthony,  
#1 Oxford St.,  
Fairhaven, Mass.

Dear Mrs. Anthony:-

Some days ago, I sent in your care a letter to Mrs. Hearst, thinking she was in this country. Someone has just told me that she was in Europe. As the letter related to the offer of Mr. Boutet de Monvel to sell his Jeanne d'Arc collection of pictures, she may be interested to see the originals. Mr. de Monvel is, moreover, one of the most charming of men, as you know, and I venture therefore to send the enclosed card of introduction for Mrs. Hearst, in case she is sufficiently interested to make an appointment with Mr. de Monvel to see the pictures. Mr. de Monvel's country place is at Morges, not far from Paris, but a line from Mrs. Hearst would doubtless bring him up to Paris to see her. I am also writing him a line on the subject to-day.

We are solicitously looking for a letter from you about your health.

Faithfully yours,

*R. U. Johnson*

Rob't. U. Johnson  
re. Boutet de Monville

To M. Maurice Boutet de Monvel  
6 rue du Val de Grace Paris

from  
Mr. Robert Underwood Johnson  
Introducing our friend of many years,  
Mrs. Hearst.

327 Lexington Avenue.



Our address  
is always with him  
Sebasti & Reali Rome  
& then Murene 7 rue Xibe



March 15,  
1906

Dear Mr. Hearst:

We were so sorry  
to miss you again this  
time in Rome. We had a  
dinner the evening you called and  
went early Sunday morning to  
your hotel but you had just  
gone. In Palermo we tried  
all the hotels but your arrival  
was evidently delayed beyond the  
date named by Mr. Gay.

We had desperate weather  
in Sicily but from reports of later  
travelers there we are led to hope  
that you were more fortunate. The do-  
mon of Storm pursued us at Naples  
too and all the side excursions of the

I look as though I should have to stay in Rome  
till the 1st of April - when we had expected to leave - to assist in  
the negotiations for the purchase of the Koels House. The situ-  
ation is this:

The house is now held by a new owner, at  
110,000 francs,  
we have available at once in cash here  
47,000. } Total surely  
Mr. Plowden the banker will take a mortgage of  
45,000 } available 92,000  
if Mr. Carnegie will pay at purchase his subscription  
10,000. } possible  
Total 102,000

I have telegraphed Mr. Steinman to ascertain, but he has recently lost a son  
& has broken up home & I fear my telegram might reach him. We are  
therefore in some need of a loan of cash of 10,000 to 15,000 francs  
to be repaid from future subscription. Mr. Henry W. Cannon, the New York  
banker, has loaned us 5,000 francs (the line is the Villa Doria at Florence)  
on this basis. There is not the slightest doubt of our raising the whole fund  
within a year after the purchase is arranged for, but every month of delay  
is likely to make the price higher. Hence I am "gunning" for a good  
American who will help us out & save the gratitude of the German folk  
of England & America. I have asked Mr. Morgan, but he does not reply to my letter.

early part of our trip had to be given over. We did not see Segesta or Selinunte or Capri or the new road from Sorrento to Amalfi, nor other interesting places.

But Rome is repaying it all with fine weather and we are having a fine time. The dust of the Eternal City is always on my shoes. We are revisiting old favorites <sup>indoor</sup> like the Sistine Chapel and seeing exterior Rome with great delight. Mr. Baddeley has included us in one of his Forum parties to which he invites friends <sup>only</sup> & we are going again this morning. It is fascinating! I wish you could be with us today. Prof. Boni has promised to take us also.

Among other things we have "assisted" at the consecration of the French bishops by the Pope in St. Peter's and at a Court Ball at the Quirinale - thus showing our impartiality between "blacks" & "whites", as it isn't for the likes of us to overturn either dynasty by staying away.

from a function! I have seen the opening of Parliament when, in the Senate, Oscar Sinuato, the Vice Prime Minister, (when we are soon to meet) read his programme of reform, and I have had the honor of an audience with His Majesty, which was much easier to arrange than one with Mr. J. P. Morgan, who is here.

I hadn't any idle curiosity to see the King but I wanted to speak to him in support of the Society for Italian Municipalities (the best society in N.Y. Prefects) and especially to get the prestige of his interest in the Koats-Stetler Memorial set forth in the accompanying circular - a project of mine & the way. I read the King or rather showed him a fine letter from President Roosevelt backing us up in the strongest terms and the King since given signs of his interest in it - even asking through an official if it is desired that he should contribute (nothing was further from our thoughts & if we wish him to be present at the dedication that we should like, of course). With King Edward VII & the President already committed to the King of Italy in this frame of mind we should have prestige to fight future schemes for the removal of Koats' grave, or the cutting of roads through the Cemetery.



R. H. Johnson

Mr. Cannon's confidence in us & in the raising of the second half (I've raised  $\frac{4}{5}$  of the first half, privately) is shown by a proposition he has made to be one of four to lend the fund 20,000 francs on a trust agreement to be executed by me & the representatives of the English & Roman Committees to repay from funds thus:

1. Pro rata from the funds now on hand.

2. Pro rata from the future subscription <sup>as they reach 5,000 francs till the debts are extinguished.</sup>

In this way there will be no mortgage and each of the four will lend virtually 5,000 f. Of course I am the one to find the other three. If you hear of any friend of American library folk who will quietly join in this plan, allowing us to postpone for a year the pleasing of mak-

ing due acknowledgment, just  
ask him to telegraph me, and de-  
tails can be speedily arranged.

Naturally I prefer the other  
plan of a single loan of 10,000  
to 15,000 francs to the Fund which of  
course it would be a point of honor  
to repay at the earliest time.

If you haven't gone  
on to Vienna I'll send you  
Mr. Cannon's letter outlining  
his plan. A telegram sent to  
the Grand Hotel d'Italie, Florence,  
not having response I fear you  
have left.

But enough of my cherished  
project.

I wish we might come  
across you yet in Europe. We  
have your Paris address in a  
letter from Mrs. Anthony re-

ceived just before starting. Please remem-  
ber us to Mrs. Flint.

With Mrs. Johnson's love to you I am  
Very sincerely yours,  
A. A. Johnson.

Oh! have you heard that Agnes is the mother of  
a fine daughter four months old. As our grandchilden are  
all girls we feel sure that there will be no more wars, in  
spite of Mrs. Remond's bellicosity!



Sunday morning

157 EAST THIRTY-SIXTH STREET. Apr. 28.

Dear Mr. Hearst:

Mrs. Johnson is not well this morning and desires me to ask you if you and your party can come to us on Thursday, Friday or Saturday evening <sup>next</sup>. We prefer Friday and after that Thursday. It is a little uncertain whether Clara will be able to remain over Saturday (She arrives at eight o'clock tonight), and some of those we should like you to

friend here are likely to be  
engaged on Thursday and to  
leave town on Saturday but  
we want first of all to con-  
sult your convenience. Will  
you kindly give me a note of  
when (by the bearer, if practicable)  
so that we may send out the  
notes this afternoon.

Mrs. Johnson and I hoped  
to come to see you all this morn-  
ing but her condition and this  
dreadful Harrison weather forbid

Very sincerely yours,

R. U. Johnston.

P.S. The weather changing I have  
come down. If you can answer  
as above now, please do so. If  
not convenient now, kindly let us  
know by messenger, as soon as you  
can -



P.S.

Thinking you may be fond of autographs I send you one of Professor Blot. I did not know I had it till this moment



157 EAST THIRTY-SIXTH STREET.

Dear Mrs. Hearst:

I should you and Mrs. Head and the young ladies or any of the party be in the neighborhood of the rehabilitated Century rooms before twelve or after two today or tomorrow it would give me great pleasure to do the honors.

Mrs. Johnson wishes me to say that she will lunch with you if possible but she hopes you will not let her come in or not coming detain you as it is uncertain, and yours

time is so closely occupied.

I congratulate you on the promise of another perfect day.

Will you kindly say to Mrs. Head that we are sorry to have missed seeing her yesterday. I trust she is quite well again.

Very sincerely yours,

R. U. Johnson.

Monday morning.

I have forgotten to thank you for referring me to Mr. Rogers, who was most kind and most helpful and interesting. The mention of your name was all that was necessary to insure me a cordial reception.



327 Lexington Ave  
New York

January 25  
1916

Dec. 14/15  
Dear Mr. Hearst.

Mr. Johnson and  
I are giving a note of  
introduction to you to Mrs.  
Edward Macdonell  
widow of the composer. She  
is one of the finest women  
in the world — a noble type,  
intellectual, well-poised and  
devoted to the memory of  
her distinguished husband.

We feel sure that  
you will find her con-  
genial. MacDowell and she  
save their Petersburg property  
for a musical settlement  
and it was there that the  
Paganini was held last summer.  
People who are familiar with  
English paganos say there  
has been nothing our side to  
equal it in quality.

We are delighted to hear  
that Agnes's husband has had  
~~the~~ great pleasure of seeing  
you at your home. He is  
without guide and Mrs. Johnson

and I are deeply attached  
to him. (Mrs. Johnson)

Shew's two little girls are here  
this week and Mrs. Johnson is  
absorbed in taking them to doctors and  
snobs. So it is a who have the  
pleasure of writing you this letter and  
the note for Mrs. MacDowell.

Always, my dear Mrs. May  
with high respect and regard,  
Sincerely yours  
J. W. Johnston



we are proud to have  
our friends know her. She  
is on her way to Cali-  
fornia and we hope she  
may have the privilege  
of knowing you.

I write this for Mrs.  
Johnson whose love I  
send you, with my old-  
time regard.

Always sincerely yours,

R. L. Johnson.

327 Lexington Ave  
New York

January 25  
1911.

Dear Mr. Hearst:

Mrs. Johnson and  
I take great pleasure  
in introducing to you Mrs.  
Edward Macdowell, widow  
of the eminent composer, to  
whose fame she is so deep-  
ly devoted.

Mrs. Macdowell is a friend  
of ours of many years, and

Edith Macdowell Johnson



But even if there were a shortage, the resources of the Hetch Hetchy ten years from now would not meet the emergency.

I have said nothing here of the offer of the local company, the Spring Valley, to sell to the city all its vested interests and options, which it claims would solve the problem for a hundred years, nor of the desirability of establishing a great filtration scheme, such as London is about to do, abandoning the plan of piping from the Welch mountains. These are pertinent considerations and they are new to the present Congress, and time should be given to them. This piece of vandalism, so repugnant to the enlightened opinion of the country, can only be rushed through by the deference of the judgment of Congress to the statements of interested parties. A complete investigation of other sources (which the Army Board states that it has had neither time nor facilities to make) should be undertaken by an impartial commission.

Col. Heuer, U. S. Engineer, said in 1898: "Engineers who made surveys of Lake Eleanor and Hetch Hetchy inform me that there are other Sierra supplies which can be brought here at much less cost than the Hetch Hetchy. The latter by persistent advocates has been preached, almost forced, into acceptance by the people of San Francisco."

The simple issue is not "Shall San Francisco have a satisfactory water supply?" but "Shall the National Park be dismembered and Hetch Hetchy destroyed unnecessarily?" The report of the Army Board is quoted in favor of the scheme. But it includes the following significant, if not conclusive, paragraph:

*"The Board is of the opinion that there are several sources of water supply that could be obtained and used by the City of San Francisco and adjacent communities to supplement the nearby supplies as the necessity develops. From anyone of these sources the water is sufficient in quantity and is, or can be made, suitable in quality. While the engineering difficulties are not insurmountable, the determining factor is one of cost."*

In other words, the American people are asked to subsidize the city's water supply to the extent of the money value of Hetch Hetchy and of five hundred square miles of phenomenal scenery. Put up at auction, what would this wonderland bring? "What am I bid," the auctioneer might say, "for one superb valley, twenty miles of unique cascades, half-a-dozen snow peaks, beautiful upland meadows, noble forests, etc., now owned by a gentleman named Uncle Sam, suspected of not being able to administer his own property? Do I hear \$20,000,000 to start the bidding? Remember that these natural features are priceless."

Will the reader of these lines also remember that fact?

Citizens, will you not help prevent this outrage by writing in protest, however briefly, to your Senators and Representative, and to Hon. Reed Smoot, U. S. Senate, and Hon. F. W. Mondell, M. C., Washington, D. C., and to the press, and by asking others to do the same? "They have rights who dare maintain them."

Respectfully yours,

ROBERT UNDERWOOD JOHNSON.

327 Lexington Avenue, New York.

August 1, 1913.

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## THE HETCH HETCHY SCHEME

Why It Should Not Be Rushed Through the Extra Session

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

*Fellow-Owners of the Yosemite National Park:*

For twelve years the city of San Francisco has been trying to obtain from the Government the gift of the wonderful Hetch Hetchy Valley, eighteen miles from the Yosemite Valley and one of the chief attractions of the greatest of your National Parks. The plea has been that the Hetch Hetchy is the only available source of water supply for the city—this being the only plausible reason for the scheme, which involves the destruction of the valley, by flooding it as a reservoir, and the exclusion of the public from two of the three chief camping-places amid this phenomenally beautiful scenery, and from access to twenty miles of the most remarkable cascades in the world. The language of hyperbole is the only appropriate medium to describe the features of your Yosemite National Park. Better that there had never been a Niagara than that the northern half of the Park should thus be diverted from the use of the public. The Hetch Hetchy is a veritable temple of the Living God, and again the money-changers are in the temple!

For these twelve years a few public-spirited men in California and elsewhere, led by John Muir, "California's grand old man," and supported by eight or ten national organizations, have succeeded in thwarting this project. Their attitude is not quixotic. They say: If San Francisco could nowhere else obtain an abundant supply of good water, supreme necessity would require that the valley should be placed at its disposal. But they claim that not until the city has demonstrated that the supply *cannot* be obtained from any other source should any concession be made to its demands. And they further claim that the city is under obligations to prove this negative—that the Hetch Hetchy is not merely desirable, but that it is absolutely necessary. The importance of the reasons for dismembering your Park must be equal to the importance of the reasons for its creation. And the reasons for dismembering it must not be accepted as final when they come from the party in interest. Otherwise we shall pay too high a price for San Francisco's water.

I wish to call your attention to some aspects of this project that amount to a scandal. Its proponents have been defeated four times—once before Secretary Hitchcock of the Interior Department, again before the Senate Committee on Public Lands in 1909-10, again before Secretary Ballinger, and again before Secretary Fisher. Secretary Lane has refused to take the responsibility of applying first to the Hetch Hetchy the revocable grant given by Secretary Garfield, and even Mr. Garfield thought that by compelling the city first to take the Lake Eleanor watershed (which it could have without opposition) the Hetch Hetchy would never be in danger. The city, by which is meant its



supervisors, taking advantage of the announcement that no general legislation would be considered at the extra session, and the fact that the opponents were therefore off their guard—many being absent or ill—have invented an “emergency” and with the aid of salaried officials who have been at Washington for several months, and, with a fund of \$45,000,000 (water-supply bond issue of 1910) to draw upon for expenses, are endeavoring to rush through a drastic measure that would turn over to the city five hundred square miles—half your National Park. The scandal consists in these facts: (1) That the appeal is made on *ex parte evidence furnished by the city* and not fully verified by the Advisory Board of Army Engineers appointed by Secretary Fisher, and (2) that in presenting data to this Board *the city actually withheld a report showing that the Mokelumne River region will afford abundant resources at a smaller expense.*

Before considering this other source of supply, let me cite two damaging statements of a general nature. At the hearing before the Public Lands Committee of the Senate, Mr. Nelson of Minnesota in the chair, Mr. McCutcheon said to Mr. James D. Phelan, then and now the most conspicuous advocate of the scheme, substantially this:

“You know, Mr. Phelan, that you could go out over night anywhere along the Sierra and get an abundant supply of pure water for the city.”

“Yes,” said Mr. Phelan, “by paying for it.”

And Mr. Manson (another advocate) echoed, “Yes, by paying for it.”

This is matter of record and has never been disputed. It shows that the object of the scheme is to get something for nothing—the simplest sort of a commercial “grab”. The nation is called upon to make sacrifice of its noblest pleasure ground, not to save the lives or the health of San Franciscans but their dollars—and, moreover, to supply water not merely for drinking but for power!

Again, the report of the Army Board states the belief of its members that the city's reports on other sources besides the Sacramento and the Tuolumne (Hetch Hetchy) are not thorough and complete, “due largely, it is thought, to the lack of importance and impracticability, *from the point of view of the city authorities*, of any source of supply other than the upper Tuolumne.” This report was made on the order of the Interior Department that the city should investigate and report on all possible available sources. It has not done so in good faith. This report of the Army Board, it is understood, was drawn up by H. H. Wadsworth, Assistant Engineer and Secretary of the Board, who on July 1, 1913, said he had not seen the elaborate report favorable to the Mokelumne River region known as the Bartell report, and added: “I am very confident that no such report was submitted to the Board.” This is confirmed by Colonel Biddle, chairman of the Board, in a telegram to me.

The plain fact is that the Bartell report to the city of April, 1912, though it was made for the city, proved an obstacle to the theories and purposes of the supervisors, and therefore was withheld by them from the Army Board, substitution being made of a report after a brief investigation by Engineer Grunsky (July, 1912), placing the resources of the Mokelumne at 60,000,000 instead of 432,000,000 gallons daily! *This withholding constitutes an important suppression of the truth, and was a wrong to the Board, to the city's expert (Mr. Freeman), to the members of both Houses of Congress, and to every other American citizen.*

If the legislation is not railroaded through Congress, an even fuller report of the Mokelumne resources than that of the Engineer Bartell will be presented, along with an offer of rights and sites, by the Sierra Blue Lakes and Water Power Co.

The advantages claimed for this source over that of Hetch Hetchy are:

- (1) It would obviate the invasion of your National Park.
- (2) It would save seventy miles of tunneling, much of it through solid rock.
- (3) It would be a shorter route by sixty-five miles.

(4) It could be completed in four years, as against the ten needed to make Hetch Hetchy available.

(5) Its owners will offer it to the city at a price to be arbitrated.

(6) Its watershed is virtually in a Forest Reserve (not a National Park) and thus is more fully protected than a scenic resort like Hetch Hetchy.

The fact is that with the \$45,000,000 at their command, the city made a most elaborate investigation of the source desired, and very inadequate investigation of all but one of the others. A Congressional investigation may be necessary to reveal whether there was any sinister reason for this attitude.

The country ought to know that the grant to the city would do an immeasurable wrong to the residents of California's greatest valley, the San Joaquin. Without water this valley is almost a desert; with water it is a paradise. This central valley of California should have prior claim on the water. I well know the purposes of Congress in creating the Yosemite National Park, for I was the only person who advocated it before the Public Lands Committee of the House in 1890. These were primarily to preserve the great scenery for the use and recreation of the whole nation, to defend the forests against destruction by herds of sheep—“hoofed locusts,” as Mr. Muir called them—and to conserve the waters of the region for purposes of irrigation in the San Joaquin Valley. *The residents in that valley are overwhelmingly against this legislation*, and although the city seems to have arranged with the Turlock and Modesto Irrigation representatives, the people are not satisfied. This is particularly true of the Waterford region and other large regions dependent for prosperity on the Yosemite Park sources. In order to silence the opposition of the irrigation interests the city's agents have agreed to divide with them the waters of the coveted valley. The spectacle of thus parceling out the resources of one of God's most beautiful creations has had no counterpart since the casting of lots for the raiment of Jesus.

In the face of these facts, where is the “emergency” requiring the passage of this piece of inexcusable folly? There *is* an emergency, but it lies in the other direction: the emergency is that unless as American citizens you protest to your representatives in both houses of Congress, your great National Park is likely to be lost to you and your descendants forever. Yosemite Valley will become “the back door of San Francisco,” and a precedent will be established under which all your other National Parks will become the loot of corporations, private or municipal. The pretense of the supervisors is that there is a shortage of water—this in the face of a reserve of 100,000,000 gallons per day of the local water company, to which Lobos creek and the wells of the city can add 8,510,000 gallons, while the water in driven wells is said to be virtually inexhaustible.